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WAYS OF THE ORIENT.
Queer Ideas About Alleviating
Bodily Suffering.

MAGIC CURES OF THE TURKS.
The Treatment to Which Crippled
Children Are Subjected—Bunches of
Garlic and Strings of Blue Beads as
Panaceas Against All Kinds of Ills.

A stone strikes some part of the body
of an oriental and inflicts a wound.
The train of ideas that this accident
would produce in his mind would run
something like this: The stone is the
cause of pain, the cause of the wound.
It is the principal origin of the trouble.
But the essence of every origin is hid-
den, secret and therefore sacred. The
stone becomes an awe inspiring fetish.
The wound is neglected. The fetish
has to be propitiated. This simple il-
lustration is borne out and supported
by everyday experience which medical
men encounter in the east.

Another instance may be derived
from among the lower classes of the
Greek population of Constantinople. A
child falls and cuts his head. The
first thought of the parent is to be sure
not to wash and to bind up the wound.
Still less to call medical assistance,
however grave the cut may turn out
to be. This is always an afterthought,
which very often comes so late that the
help of a surgeon can prove of no use.

The first thing the father or mother of
the injured child thinks of doing is to
pour over the shoulder upon the place
of the accident a libation of wine or
sugared water and to whisper in per-
forming this some mysterious formula
supposed to possess supernatural effi-
cacy against every form of evil.

The Moslems are addicted to the
queerest practices for purposes of heal-
ing or alleviating bodily pain. A Turk,
for instance, in distress or suffering
from some disease, however severe
knows of no better remedy than to fix
a piece of his dress, torn off with tur-
rential equanimity, to an iron bar of
some saint's tomb or to drink water
from a tumbler into which he has pre-
viously put a sheet of paper with writ-
ings from the Koran. Sometimes he
will take a jar, the interior of which
has been written all over with strange
formulae and signs. He will then fill
it with water, wait till these formulae
and signs have been thoroughly dis-
solved and drink the singular solution
with an absolute faith in its wonder
working efficacy.

Sheltered by the somber cypresses
of the great Mohammedan cemetery at
Scutari (the ancient Chrysopolis) on the
Asiatic coast of the Bosphorus) there
stands in picturesque solitude the tomb
of a horse. Every Friday afternoon

Turkish mothers carry to that tomb
their crippled children to be submitted
by a select "khodja" (priest) to an ex-
traordinary course of treatment. These
children are dragged, with their dis-
eased limbs dangling over the hillock,
from one end of the tomb to the other
and then back again in the same fash-
ion. The occult influence emanating
from this hillock is supposed to be an
all efficient panacea.

It is not difficult to trace in this case
the crude, imperfect association of
ideas. The horse has long been con-
sidered an emblem of vigor, typifying,
as Ruskin says, "the flow and force of
life." Hence the belief of the ori-
ental, inherited, no doubt, from the
Greeks, in the all conquering virtue
and influence of occult and mysterious
effluvia which are supposed to emanate
constantly from a horse's tomb.

The wearing of a necklace of blue
beads or of garlic as a potent means
of keeping away disease or of warding
off the evil eye is quite a universal
matter of sincere belief in the whole
of Turkey. This superstition is shared,
as is well known, by the lower classes
of many a country in civilized eastern
Europe. There, however, it is not so
universal and flagrant as in the orient.

There is scarcely a house in the
Moslem, Greek and Armenian districts
of the population of Constantinople
which has not hanging above its en-
trance door a collection of garlic and
scarcely a beast of toil which has not
attached to some part of it a string
of blue beads. Among the uneducated
it is impossible to find an individual
who does not pin absolute faith to the
all healing power of such charms,
especially of blue beads, which are
supposed to be an unfailing panacea
against every possible ill.

Less general is the belief in the east
in the baleful influence of the planets
Saturn and Mars upon the constitution
of the human body, upon its four car-
dinal humors—blood, phlegm, yellow
bile and black bile. These planets are
considered by some orientals, especial-
ly in the far south, as the unmistak-
able causes of all sorts of ailments.
Woe unto him who begins any work
when Saturn or Mars is in the ascend-
ant.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

If Only.
Miss Enpee (engaged to Tommy)—
When you proposed to me you said
that if I would only say the right
word you would be the happiest man
in the world.
Tommy—Ah! If you had only said it!
—Illustrated Bits.

Perilous.
"Were you ever in a railroad disas-
ter?"
"Yes—I once kissed the wrong girl
while going through a tunnel."—Cleve-
land Leader.

It's the fellow who minds his p's
and q's that sleeps on flowery beds of
e's.—Philadelphia Record.

MILITARY PRISONERS.
How They Are Guarded at Garrisona.
The Bull Ring.

The hardest duty that a soldier is
ever called upon to perform in times of
peace and the duty which he dreads
the most is the guarding of military
prisoners. These are divided into two
classes:

First—Garrison prisoners, who have
received light sentences for minor
breaches of discipline and will be re-
turned to duty in a short time.

Second—Military convicts, who for
attempted desertion or other serious
military crimes have been dishonor-
ably discharged by order of a court
martial and have received sentences
varying from a few months' to several
years' confinement at hard labor, ac-
cording to the gravity of the offense.
Into their ranks the vicious element or
those who hold their oath of enlistment
too lightly eventually find their way.

Every morning at fatigue call the
prisoners are drawn up in a long line
in front of the guardhouse and sur-
rounded by a chain of sentries. The
sombre prison garb of the "generals"—
military convicts were formerly known
as "general prisoners"—is marked with
a gigantic capital "P," which renders
them conspicuous and therefore makes
escape more difficult.

Some are evil looking fellows with
long and unsavory records. Doubtless
many have "done time" more than
once in civil prisons before evading the
watchfulness of the recruiting officer
and finding their way into the army.
Others are rosy cheeked lads who in
all probability have yet to see their
twenty-first birthday, and in nine
cases out of ten the charge against
them is desertion. Homesickness or
restlessness under military restraint
and discipline have led them into the
rash act, the heavy penalties of which
they may not have fully realized.

In groups of twos and threes and
guarded by sentries with loaded rifles,
these men perform most of the dis-
agreeable work and menial labor
about the army post, which is highly
varied in character and may consist

of anything from sprinkling the nower
beds on the officers' lawns to digging
ditches for monster sewer pipes. Al-
though they generally perform their
enforced tasks cheerfully, occasionally
a particularly disagreeable piece of
work causes a miniature strike, and a
dozen men may "buck"—that is, re-
fuse to work.

It is then that the historic "bull
ring" is resorted to. A huge circle is
marked out on the ground, and the
malefactors are required to walk
around its circumference in Indian file
for eight hours a day, preserving ab-
solute silence. A ten minute respite
is allowed at noon for a bread and
water lunch. A day or two of this
treatment usually suffice to break the
most stubborn will. If not there still
remain solitary confinement on the
bread and water diet and as a last
resort the dungeon.

The prison duty is by all odds the
grimmiest phase of the soldier's life.
He may find himself standing guard
over his best friend, with orders to
shoot to kill should his man attempt
to escape.—Youth's Companion.

TIME TO LAUGH.

Some Vaudeville Jokelets Which Age
Cannot With.

Vaudeville is known as the "laugh
trust," but not for the reason one
might think. It gets the phrase be-
cause there are a certain definite num-
ber of devices in its category of acts
that control the laughs of its audi-
ences. The same old things are al-
ways good for a laugh in vaudeville.
According to the Bohemian Magazine,
a new device, a new bit of "business,"
a new joke, are all regarded as dan-
gerous by the performers. The fol-
lowing table details some of the times
at which a vaudeville audience regu-
larly laughs:

When a comedian walks with a
mincing step and speaks in a falsetto
voice.

When a German comedian opens his
coat and discloses a green waistcoat.

When a comedy acrobat falls down
repeatedly.

When a performer asks the orchestra
leader if he is a married man.

When a black face comedian says
something about chicken.

When a performer starts to rise from
a chair and the drummer pulls a re-
sined piece of cord so that the perform-
er thinks his clothes have ripped.

When the drummer suddenly beats
the drum during a comedian's song
and the latter stops and looks in his
direction.

When a tramp comedian turns
around and discloses a purple patch
or several pearl buttons or a target
sewed on the seat of his trousers.

When the funny member of the
troupe of instrumentalists interrupts
the progress of a melody by sounding
a discordant note on his trombone.

When a clown of a team of acrobats
poises himself to do a presumably dif-
ficult feat and suddenly changes his
mind and walks away without doing
it.—New York Sun.

A VERY BUSY MAN.

Charming Experience With an Over-
worked Irish Watchmaker.

I fell in with a delightful man at a
little town in County Fermanagh. I
wanted a little thing done to my
watch, and I asked him how long it
would take to do it. He assured me
that he was driven to death with
work and was up till late every night
trying to get ahead, but that he would
try to find time to mend my watch
some time before 7 o'clock, when he
nominally closed. Then he followed
me to the door of his shop and began
to ask me questions about America.
He pointed out different passersby
and told me their life histories. And
every once in a while he would say:
"I've not had a day off for nearly a
year, not even bank holiday. Never a
minute for anything but work. I've
an order now that's going to keep me
busy, except for the time I'll give to
your watch, all the rest of the day.
And dinner eaten in my workshop to
save time."

I bade him good day and didn't go
near there until 7 o'clock in the even-
ing. I found him outside the shop dis-
cussing the strike of the constabulary
at Belfast with a neighbor.

"Awwfully sorry, sir, but I've been so
busy today that I've been unable to
finish that job. It'll not take over
twenty minutes when I get to it. Can
you come in the morning?"

Next morning I was at his shop at 9
o'clock, and he was just taking down
the shutters. Said he worked until 10
o'clock the night before, but seemed
farther behind than before. If I'd
come up into his workshop he'd fix my
watch while I waited.

Up there he had some photographs
to show me that he had taken a year
ago and had only just found time to
develop. We talked photography for
twenty minutes, and then he fixed my
watch in a jiffy when he got to work.
From "Just Irish," by Charles Battell
Loomis.

DENATURED ALCOHOL TESTS FAVORABLE.

While there is a great deal of in-
formation extant concerning dena-
tured alcohol, whatever new can be
elicited proves of great interest.
Experts have demonstrated its utility
and effectiveness for lighting pur-
posed which test proves that it is
more economical than oil, and
compares favorably with other
means of lighting. Another valuable
feature about it is that it is non-ex-
plosive. On July 14, the promoters
of a denatured alcohol industry re-
ceived a letter and test from the
Electric Testing Laboratories, of
New York, which read in part as
follows:

"Report on comparative test of a
French incandescent mantle alcohol
lamp and a round wick, center
draught Miller kerosene lamp.
From the results of the test the
following data are compiled:

"In the alcohol lamp one gallon
lasted 57 hours, 5 minutes, the
candle-power registered 30.35 and
the candle-power hours reached
1732. In the oil lamp one gallon
lasted 28 hours, 40 minutes, the
candle-power registered 30.8, and
the candle-power hours reached
883."

One exception to this report is
noted in that the 30.35 candle-
power is claimed to be an error, as
it has been clearly shown that the
candle-power of denatured alcohol
is four times that of kerosene.

Mr. Hill, Past Master of the
Pennsylvania State Grange, made
this statement: "Personally I am
very sanguine about the future of
denatured alcohol in all essentials.
Knowledge of its merits is yet to
be acquired by the most of our
citizens, but when it becomes known
its popularity will be assured."

In a letter dated July 14, E. B.
Morris, chairman of the National
Grange Committee, has this to say:
"I am deeply impressed that the
future of the proposition is great.
There is no doubt about its great
heating power, and its great
strength over gasoline, and its
cleanliness and freedom of offensive
odors makes it the most promising
liquid proposition of the future.
Its safety from fire, on account of its
mixing with water, makes it as easy
to extinguish as fire from wood.
When a co-operative distillery is
established, supported from the
waste products of the farms, and
when alcohol becomes cheaper,
there is no liquid fuel that can com-
pare with it."

These unsolicited testimonials
from well-informed and prominent
men, together with much matter in
various magazines on the subject of
denatured alcohol, prove that its
future as an illuminant is already
assured.

NEW MAMMOTH CAVES.

Great caves, larger than the far-
famed caverns of Kentucky, with
chambers and vaulted chambers in
which an office building could be
stowed away and surrounded by
ancient and mysterious ruins never
before visited by white man, have
just been discovered by Professor
Edgar L. Hewitt, the archaeologist,
in the northeastern part of Arizona.

The caves have long been told of
by Indians, says the New York
Sun, but white men doubted their
existence until a Navajo guide led
Professor Hewitt to them. Hewitt
says the caves, ruins and natural
bridges were found without diffi-
culty and were exactly as the
Indian legend had described them.

Some of the caverns he and the
guide visited were large enough to
contain the Singer Building and
others contained curious formations
unlike anything he had ever seen.
Several natural bridges between
hills in the vicinity were so large
as to make the rock bridges of Utah
and Virginia puny by comparison.
The ruins contain relics, household
articles and remains of a race of
which the archaeologists have been
in ignorance.

EARN OWN LIVING AT 132.

In these days when a man is con-
sidered too old at 40, it is refresh-
ing to hear that there is at Constan-
tinople a veteran called Hadji Raouf
who is still young enough at 132 to
earn his own living as a saddle-
maker, and who has still ten years
to live before he can equal his
father's record.

THE CRUST OF THE EARTH.

For the best essay on the earth's
interior the University of Jena has
awarded a prize to M. Thiene, whose
theory is thus outlined: The mean
density of the earth is known to be
more than five times that of water.
As the surface rocks have an average
density of only 2½ and water of
1, the interior must have a density
of about 7.7—that of iron. It is
fairly certain also that the rigidity
is slightly greater than that of steel.
He concludes that the earth's crust
is about 930 miles thick, instead of
the 30 miles of the common estimate,
and that it incloses a very dense
and rigid core that he calls the
barysphere.

THE LOFTIEST CHIMNEY.

The loftiest chimney in the world
was recently put into service at the
large smelting works at Great Falls,
Mont., where it will serve to carry
off the gases from the greater part
of the plant. The chimney, which
is built of brick, is 506 feet in
height above the ground. It is 50
feet in diameter at the top, and in-
creases gradually in diameter to the
base. The flue includes a dust
chamber in which vertically-hung
wires serve to take out the dust
from the smoke. The dust is re-
moved from the wires by a shaking
mechanism and falls in hoppers in
the floor, from which it is loaded
into cars in a pit below.

THE RED MAN DISAPPEARING.

State Health Commissioner Por-
ter, of New York, says that unless
prompt and radical measures are
taken the 5000 Indians still existing
in that State will rapidly dwindle
in numbers, on account of the rav-
ages of consumption and other germ
diseases, and the race ere long be-
come extinct. Scientific investiga-
tions have shown that tuberculosis
was unknown among the aborigines
of America before the coming of the
white man, but owing to the un-
sanitary mode of life of the Indian
he becomes an easy prey to the dis-
ease. Wherever the white race
has come in contact with a native
race, whether in this country,
Alaska, Australia, the Pacific
islands, Africa or elsewhere, the
same condition has resulted; the na-
tives were originally vigorous and
almost disease-proof, and the white
man, with his germs, his fire water
and his vices, has been their ruin.

ANIMAL LEARNING.

Dr. T. Zell, a German naturalist,
has collected many instances to
prove that animals learn by experi-
ence, and thus become wiser than
their uninstructed parents. Game
animals of all kinds, he avers, have
learned the range of modern rifles.
Greyhounds quickly learn to let
rabbits alone, and foxhounds pay no
attention to either rabbits or hares.
Killer whales and gulls follow whal-
ing vessels, just as vultures follow
an army. Crows begin to accom-
pany the chamois hunter as soon as
they have seen the result of his first
successful shot, and rough-legged
buzzards follow the sportsman after
winged game. The number of birds
that kill or injure themselves by
flying against telegraph wires is
much smaller than it used to be.
Dr. Zell also refers to the fact that
birds and quadrupeds have learned
to disregard passing railway trains,
as horses quickly cease to be fright-
ened by automobiles. His instances
of the intelligent selection exercised
by sheep dogs are familiar to all.

—When a man hasn't a wife to
blame things on he blames them on
the devil.—Dallas News.

THE INDEPENDENT

TERMS—\$1.00 PER YEAR
IN ADVANCE.

Thursday, Sept. 2, '09.

CHURCH SERVICES.

St. James' Church, Lower Providence, Rev. F. S. Ballentine, rector. Morning service and sermon, 10.30. Sunday School, 1.45 p. m. Evening service and sermon, 8. Holy Communion, First Sunday in the month. All are cordially invited and welcome.

Trinity Reformed Church, Collegeville, Rev. E. C. Yost, D. D., pastor. Services next Sunday at 10 a. m. Sunday School at 9. Junior Christian Endeavor at 2 p. m., and Senior U. E. at 7 p. m.

St. Paul's Memorial Church, near Oaks Station, Rev. G. W. Barnes, Rector. Sunday Services—10.30 a. m., 3.30 p. m. Sunday School—2.15 p. m. Vested choir. Free sittings. Cordial welcome. The Rector residing in the parish, will be pleased to receive calls for visitations or ministrations. Address Oaks P. O.

St. Luke's Reformed Church, Trappe, Rev. S. L. Messinger, D. D., pastor. Sunday School at 8.45 a. m. Preaching at 10 a. m. and 7.45 p. m. Junior Endeavor prayer meeting at 2 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E. prayer meeting at 6.45 p. m. Bible study meeting on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. All are most cordially invited to attend the services.

Evansburg M. E. Church.—Sunday School at 9.45 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.

United Evangelical Church, Trappe Circuit, Rev. Geo. R. Riffert, pastor. Trappe—Preaching at 2.30 p. m.; Sunday School at 1.30 p. m.; prayer meeting at 10 a. m. Limerick—Preaching at 7.45 p. m.; Sunday School at 9 a. m. C. E. at 7.30 p. m.

Passenger trains leave Collegeville for Philadelphia: 7.05, 7.45, 11.30 a. m., 6.05 p. m. Sundays—7.11 a. m., 6.33 p. m. For Allentown: 7.45, 11.02 a. m., 2.27, 6.05 p. m. Sundays—8.30 a. m., 7.39 p. m.

Home and Abroad.

—If the old earth
—In this quarter
—Should cry out
—“How dry I am!”
—The populace would promptly accept the statement without question or dissenting comment.

—Where placed the oil has settled and holds down the dust on Main street.

—The oiling process will be continued when another consignment of oil is received.

—Vacation days are almost gone

—And “the good old summer time” is on the wane.

—The boys and girls about town will

—Settle down to public school work next Monday.

—And they are going to make progress, too.

—The public schools of Upper Providence township opened on Monday.

—Something about a fishing club on page 7.

—Wisdom, like flowers, requires cultivation.—Hosea Ballou.

—Geo. F. Clamer has just received a car-load of pipe and fittings.

—The new \$20,000 surgical ward, at the Pottstown Hospital has been completed.

—Kind words are the music of the world.—F. W. Faber.

—In a dozen houses representing one-half square of Bush street, Bridgeport, there are 86 children.

—Pennsburg Reformed Church, with a membership of 330, has had but one death among its members in a year and a half.

—After lingering 53 hours with a skull fracture from a runaway Miss Annie DeVine, of Swamp, died at the Pottstown Hospital.

—To avoid a water-brake in the highway Dr. J. Newton Hunsberger, of Skippack, steered his automobile into a fence and the machine was wrecked.

—Bells will ring and whistles blow on Reading's “Tuberculosis day” September 26, when collections will be taken in factories and stores to establish a tuberculosis sanitarium.

—“Did your son graduate with honors?” “I should say so. He had two fractured ribs, a broken arm and numerous strained tendons.”—Red Hen.

—During the free outings given Pottstown public school children at Sanatoga Park a mean thief ransacked the clothing of the lads in swimming and got money jewelry and other articles.

—The United Traction Company, of Reading, is at present erecting sub stations in East Reading, Wernersville, Mohnton and Ringing Rocks, which will cost over \$200,000 completed.

—Henry Schantz, of Dillingerville, has shot 50 groundhogs this season, and is killing them without any effort, at the rate of two a day.

Hotel Sold.

The hotel at Linfield has been sold by Albert Mauck to Wm. H. Wentz, of near Fort Washington; possession will be given October 15.

Bechtel Family Reunion.

A reunion of the Bechtel family will be held at Bechtel's park, Gabelsville, near Boyertown, on Saturday next, September 4.

Improvement.

H. L. Saylor is building a barn and has awarded to G. F. Clamer the contract to furnish and place a gasoline engine, water pump, and a 3,000 gallon tank.

Cheek Bone Fractured.

While engaged at ball playing a few days ago Charles Hildebidle, of near this borough, collided with another player and sustained a fracture of his cheek bone. Dr. M. Y. Weber rendered surgical aid.

The Airdome Sold.

The airdome, this borough, has been purchased by Henry Yost Jr., from the Norristown Amusement Company. Mr. Yost intends to use the building for a garage and skating rink purposes.

Price of Milk.

The Executive Committee of the Philadelphia Milk Shippers' Union has fixed the wholesale price of milk for September at 4 cents per quart from the 1st to 15th, and 4½ cents per quart from the 16th to the 30th.

Wedding Bells Will Ring.

Mr. and Mrs. William Stenger have issued invitations to the wedding of their daughter Elsie Dinsmore Titus to Mr. Stanley P. Hunsicker of Ironbridge, on Wednesday September 15, at 5 o'clock at the church of St John the Evangelist, New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Typhoid Fever Causes Death.

Marjorie Slingluff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Slingluff, of Norristown, died of typhoid fever on Monday. Marjorie and her sister were stricken with typhoid fever last week as the result of drinking well water. Her little sister is reported to be in a critical condition.

Insurance Men's Outing.

Sixty-two representatives of the Prudential Life Insurance Company of the Germantown district held their annual outing at Perkiomen Bridge hotel last Saturday. The gentlemen enjoyed their outing very much. They played baseball and other games and did justice to a good dinner.

Prize Winners at Farmers' Picnic.

Among the prize winners at the Farmers' picnic at White City, last week were: Mrs. Charles Essig, this borough, first and third blue ribbon prizes for silk patch work quilts; Wm. Hunsberger, of near Yerkess, third prize—schweitzer cheese—in fat man's race; Wallace Hoyer, of Upper Providence, third prize—pot of apple butter—in wheelbarrow race.

Leaving the Old Town.

Five of the members of the class of 1909 at Ursinus, whose homes are in this borough, will leave within a few days to take up their life work. Four of the number will be teaching school. The one exception is Ernest Miller, who has accepted a business position in Philadelphia. Miss Helen Neff will teach at Medford, N. J. and Dora Moyer will also give her best efforts to teaching in a New Jersey high school at Glashoro. Miss Elizabeth Long will be an instructor in the high school at Lansdale and Horace Custer will be the assistant principal of the Springfield, N. J., high school.

Night on Bald Mountain.

On a lonely night Alex Benton of Fort Edward, N. Y., climbed Bald Mountain to the home of a neighbor, tortured by asthma, bent on curing him with Dr. King's New Discovery, which had cured himself of asthma. This wonderful medicine soon relieved and quickly cured his neighbor. Later it cured his son's wife of a severe lung trouble. Millions believe it's the greatest throat and lung cure on earth. Coughs, colds, croup, hemorrhages and sore lungs are surely cured by it. Best for hay fever, grip and whooping cough. 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by Joseph W. Culbert, druggist, Collegeville, and by M. T. Hunsicker, Ironbridge.

Garwood S. S. Picnic in County Home Grove.

The annual picnic of the Garwood Sunday School will be held in the grove on the County Home farm on Saturday next, September 4. The attendance will no doubt be large. Excellent music will be furnished by the Phoenix Military Band.

Register of Wills Garner Stricken With Paralysis.

Samuel J. Garner, Register of Wills of this county, was stricken with paralysis at Eaglesmere, Pa., where he and Mrs. Garner were spending a few days, the latter part of last week. His condition has somewhat improved and his many friends are hoping that he will recover.

Sportsmen Will Meet at Perkiomen Bridge Hotel.

State Fish Commissioner William E. Meehan, of Harrisburg, has announced that the directors of the United Sportsmen Association have decided to hold their first annual state convention next month at Perkiomen Bridge Hotel(Collegeville, instead of at Columbia.

Huge Block of Slate.

A rock of extraordinary size was removed Saturday from the Highland slate quarry at Slatedale, Lehigh county. It is all pure, first-class slate, 18 feet long, 8½ feet wide and 5½ feet thick, and practically every inch can be worked into marketable product, with no waste to speak of.

Baseball.

The campers from Graterford on Friday played a game with a team from this borough. The game was played here and resulted in a 14 to 1 victory for Collegeville.

Arcola and Fairview played a close game on Sunday, which unfortunately ended in a disagreement at the beginning of the eighth inning with the score 11 to 10 in Fairview's favor.

Snake Milked Cow.

The swollen and empty udder of a pet cow belonging to Charles Zipp, a farmer of near Geryville, caused an investigation which led to the astonishing discovery that the cause of the trouble was a thief in the form of a poisonous copperhead snake which daily sucked the cow while the animal was pasturing. Some little boys discovered the snake at work and securing a gun, Charles Hetrick, a grandson of farmer Zipp, shot the reptile, which measured fully three feet.

No More Trolley Tickets After September 1.

A notice posted in the trolley cars of the Schuylkill Valley Traction Company reads: “On and after September 1, 1909, the sale of six tickets for twenty-five cents will be discontinued.” In explanation of the action of the Company, Superintendent Hoeger stated that the traffic the past year has been light, that the wages of the employees has been increased, and that the patronage of the lines has not been up to expectations during the present summer. Whilst no tickets will be sold after September 1, all tickets sold prior to that time will be honored.

Claims \$200.

Valentine P. Saylor and Viola P. Glisson, of Lower Providence, through their attorney E. F. Slough have entered suit against Otto Roediger, claiming \$200 damages, because the latter is said to have prevented them, the plaintiffs, from entering upon a tract sold to Roediger and secure 200 bushels of wheat, which they assert, were reserved in the bill of sale and for which they had declined an offer of purchase, deemed insufficient and made by Roediger to plaintiffs. Mr. Roediger denies the statements of the plaintiffs.

\$100 REWARD. \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Sudden Death of Addison Eppeheimer.

Addison Eppeheimer, postmaster at Royersford, was fatally stricken while on a business trip to Philadelphia on Wednesday of last week. Immediately after he had taken dinner at Sixth and Jefferson streets, he fell unconscious to the floor and expired. He became postmaster of Royersford during the first term of President McKinley, by whom he was appointed in 1898, and has been reappointed each four years since then, once by President McKinley and twice by President Roosevelt. His term would have expired in April, 1910. The funeral was held Saturday afternoon. Interment at Fernwood cemetery.

Blanket Ballot.

The State Department at Harrisburg has issued sample ballots such as will be used at the next election. The ballot is about 42 by 24 inches, and is principally made up of the proposed amendments to the Constitution, which the law provides must be printed in their entirety on the ballot. The ballot issued contains the State ticket and the amendments, but the ballot to be voted in November will also contain the names of candidates for county offices which will bring it up to the size of a single sheet poster, or twice the size of the ordinary newspaper page. The voter is compelled to mark his ballot at least a dozen times—one for each of the amendments, one for the schedule and one for the political ticket containing the names of the candidates. If he cares to cut his ballot he will have to make still more than the dozen crosses on the ballot.

FARMERS PICNIC AT WHITE CITY.

THE ATTENDANCE LARGE. PLENTY OF AMUSEMENT AND INSTRUCTION.

The picnic held at White City, Chestnut Hill, last Thursday, Friday and Saturday, by the Allied Farmers and Grangers' Association of Montgomery county, was a splendid success and duly appreciated by the many thousands of persons in attendance. Thursday afternoon H. H. Fetterolf, of this borough, presided at the great gathering of farmers and others. Prof. Menges, of York, spoke of “Large Yields of Wheat Under Good and Poor Cultivation.” He urged the farmers to devote more acreage to wheat cultivation and to so improve the soil as to obtain the largest possible yield to the acre. Frances M. Gumbes, of Oaks, gave an instructive talk on “Denatured Alcohol” in relation to the farmer, who may be both a producer and user of this new article of commerce. Dr. H. A. Surface spoke on “Insects and How to Destroy Them.” During the day there was a potato race, in which a lot of little boys participated; a milking contest by eleven young women dressed in the regulation milk maid costume; a wheelbarrow race and other amusements. On Friday John A. McSparran, of Lancaster, and Ex-State Treasurer, Wm. H. Berry, delivered stirring addresses, the latter making a drive at monopolies. Mr. McSparran gave the farmers who are persuaded that the national lawmakers are protecting them a line of straight thought that it is to be devoutly hoped they will well remember. He said: “They tell you, ‘Why we are protecting the farmer. Have we not put a 20 per cent duty on wheat?’ And what does that amount to to the farmer? Absolutely nothing. The farmer raises his wheat year after year, and has his seed for the next year's planting. He never has to buy a bushel. Instead the American farmer is an exporter of wheat and fixes the market price for the world. But the farmer needs lumber, and while the Canadian forests are filled with the finest timber in the world this iniquitous tariff by keeping it out of the country puts up lumber to a figure that is almost prohibitive.” And this is only one of many illustrations to show how the farmers have been helping with their votes to humbug and rob themselves. The concluding address was delivered by Professor Alva Agee, of State College on “Alfalfa for Pennsylvania,” and pointed out the advantages of this Western grass. The speakers on Saturday, the closing day were: Ex-Governor Pennypacker, State Highway Commissioner Hunter, John R. Kauff-

man, Jr., and Prof. M. S. McDowell. The ex-Governor said “there is no more dignified occupation on earth than that of the farmer,” and advises the farmers to hold on to their land and combine for mutual benefit. Egg and spoon racing, a sack race and the fat men's race followed the speechmaking. The exhibit of garden and farm products, poultry, &c., was quite creditable and a number of prizes were awarded.

Young Woman Cut in Two by Train.

Stepping out of the way of two other trains, to be caught by a fast freight going in the opposite direction, Miss Margaret Cook was cut in twain and Jesse Mounts, her companion probably fatally injured at Linfield station, on the Reading Railway, Sunday morning. The couple started from Pottstown for Kenilworth, where the girl's father was to meet them and drive them to his home, but they got on the wrong train. Getting off at Linfield, they walked down the track opposite the Linfield cold storage plant, where the accident occurred. Mounts, who is 25 years old and a machinist, resides on South street Pottstown. He was brought to the local hospital where little hope is felt for his recovery. Miss Cook was 18 years of age, a daughter of Stephen Cook, of Pughtown, Chester county, and resided at the home of W. H. Saylor at Kenilworth, Chester county.

Loose Stones on Township Roads.

Among the road laws in this State is one in reference to the removal of loose stones from the township roads. As it stands amended it is as follows: “That from and after the passage of this Act, the Supervisors and Road Commissioners of the several townships within this Commonwealth shall, by contract or otherwise, remove and take away the loose stones from the traveled roads or highways in such township at least once a month during the months of May, June, August and October in each year.” It is intended that this law shall be obeyed of course, for there is a penalty attached, which shall not be more than \$10 for each offense, or neglect to perform the duties prescribed. Half the fine imposed goes to the informer or prosecutor and the other half finds its way into the road repairing fund. The fines are to be recovered in an action of debt before any justice of the peace, with costs of the suit.

Golden Wedding.

The golden wedding of Dr. and Mrs. John G. Rosenberry, of Skippack, occurred Thursday. The aged couple, in the enjoyment of good health, were gratified at being permitted to so long enjoy each other's companionship, and because of the presence, Thursday, of their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, besides many neighbors. Both were born the same year, 1836, and at 23 were married by a Moravian minister named Regenas, at Emaus, Lehigh county, in which neighborhood Mrs. Rosenberry (whose maiden name was Elizabeth Flores) was born, while her husband first saw the light of day in Skippack township, on the farm now owned by Urias K. Bean. He was one of twelve children. He practiced medicine for 40 years. He served for nine months in the civil war as a member of Company K, One Hundred and Seventy-sixth Regiment. Dr. and Mrs. Rosenberry were the parents of six children, but three of whom are living, namely, Dr. Harry Rosenberry, of California; Annie, wife of S. D. Kinsey, of Frederick, and Emma J., wife of John B. Godshalk, of Cedars. Both enjoy good health, and they are spending the evening of their lives comfortably and contentedly, for they have the esteem of all who know them.

Patrolling Farms.

The Farmers' Protective Association, of Westmoreland county, has decided to appoint officers to patrol farms and arrest all trespassers during the hunting season. Hundreds of dollars' worth of crops were ruined last year by inexperienced gunners tramping over property.

Go With a Rush.

The demand for that wonderful Stomach, Liver and Kidney cure, Dr. King's New Life Pill is astounding. Many say they never saw the like. Its because they never fail to cure Sour Stomach, Constipation, Indigestion, Bloatingness, Jaundice, Sick Headache, Chills and Malaria. Only 25c. at the drug store of Joseph W. Culbert, Collegeville, and at M. T. Hunsicker's store, Ironbridge.

Fire.

On Wednesday of this week a disastrous conflagration in the lower part of this borough was narrowly averted. A range in the kitchen at F. W. Scheuren's residence ignited the wainscoting. The fire, when discovered had extended to the lathe and outer frame work of the house. Prompt action on the part of Mr. Scheuren and his neighbors saved the building.

DEATHS.

Ida May Holman, wife of Joseph W. Holman, died at her home in Norristown on Sunday, aged 51 years. Deceased is survived by her husband, who is in the hotel business in Reading, and one son and one daughter.

Charles Warren, son of Horace and Rosie Smith, 429 Grove street, Bridgeport, died on Monday, aged 1 year. Funeral this Thursday, at 1 p. m. Services in Lower Providence Presbyterian church at 2 p. m.; undertaker J. L. Bechtel in charge.

Barbara A., wife of Philip K. Shenkel, died Tuesday morning in Spring City, in her 78th year. The husband and two children, Michael and Annie, survive. Mr. and Mrs. Shenkel removed from Trappe to Spring City about ten years ago. Funeral on Friday, September 3, at 10.30 o'clock. Service and interment at St. Luke's Reformed church and cemetery, Trappe. All relatives and friends invited.

PERSONAL.

Mr. and Mrs. Eily, of Philadelphia, spent several days with Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Clamer.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Knarli, of Philadelphia, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hallman.

Mrs. F. W. Gristock and daughters are spending the week at Atlantic City, the guests of W. Bruce Barrow.

James L. Paist, of Hummelstown was the guest of F. W. Gristock, Sunday.

Miss Florence Place, of Eagleville, entertained Miss Trinna Freyer, of Spring City and Florence Brooks, of Palmyra, N. J., several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Rambo, of near Spring City, recently drove from near Spring City, to Doylestown, Bucks county, to visit relatives. They left home at 8 a. m. and arrived at Doylestown at 1.30 p. m. They left Doylestown the next day at 3.30 p. m., and reached home at 8 p. m. driving a distance of 65 miles.

Miss W. Wientge, of New York City, was the guest of Miss Catherine Robison last week.

Miss Marian Spangler has returned from Brookfield Conn.

Miss Thalia McCarty, of Pawling, spent Tuesday and Wednesday with Mrs. Rebecca Bean.

Miss Sara Spangler is recovering from a recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Mayne Longstreth and daughter, of Philadelphia, spent the last month with Mrs. Sara Longstreth.

Miss Miriam Hendricks visited Miss Louisa Siedel at Gibraltar, last week.

Miss Bean, of Reiglesville, visited Miss Elizabeth Lachman, last week.

Miss Susanna Bingham, of Philadelphia, was a guest of Mrs. Ella Hobson, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Radcliff and Mr. and Mrs. Warren Grater were at Willow Grove park, Sunday.

Ernest Wagner, of West Chester, is visiting relatives and friends in Graterford and Collegeville.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gayner, of Salem, N. J., and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hocker and family, of Germantown, spent several days recently with Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Moser and family.

Dr. John W. Clawson, professor of mathematics at the college, has returned from his wedding trip Mrs. Clawson was Miss Robertson, of Montreal, Canada.

Hoy Stoner, of Norristown, was in town Tuesday.

Dr. R. D. Faringer and George Bordner spent Saturday and Sunday in and around Mount Holly, N. J.

The Road to Success

has many obstructions, but none so desperate as poor health. Success to-day demands health, but Electric Bitters is the greatest health builder the world has ever known. It compels perfect action of stomach, liver, kidneys, bowels, purifies and enriches the blood, and tones and invigorates the whole system. Vigorous body and keen brain follow their use. You can't afford to neglect Electric Bitters if weak, run down or sick. Only 50c. Guaranteed by Joseph W. Culbert, druggist, Collegeville, and at M. T. Hunsicker's store, Ironbridge.

Fees of Justices of the Peace.

According to the act of April, 1909, the fees of the Justices of the Peace in Pennsylvania were increased in three instances. The cost of docket entry is now 50 cents, whereas it was 25 cents under the old law. A subpoena is now 30 cents instead of 25. A hearing is now 75 cents instead of 50 cents, as formerly. This change in fees effects only those Justices who were elected in 1909.

Evansburg and Vicinity.

Dr. M. L. Casselberry and wife, of Morgantown, W. Va., spent Tuesday at Dr. M. Casselberry's.

Charles and Rebecca Teal, of Philadelphia, are spending sometime with their grandmother Mrs. Samuel Sperry.

Mr. and Mrs. McIntyre, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with Ed. Gordon.

Mr. Joseph McGee and family, of Roxborough, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Casselberry.

Wm. Keyser and Mamie Casselberry are attending Schissler's College of Business at Norristown. The public schools of Lower Providence opened on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Haebelscoffer, of Brooklyn, N. Y., are spending a few weeks with Mrs. Anna Bergmann and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. James Naves, of Philadelphia are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Casselberry.

Items From Trappe.

M. H. Keeler visited friends in East Greenville, Sunday.

Miss Katie Thomas is spending a week's vacation in Philadelphia.

Harvest Home services at the Lutheran church next Sunday at 10.15. The pastor, Rev. W. O. Fegley, will deliver a special sermon.

J. Shellenberger of Philadelphia, was the recent guest of Mrs. J. K. Beaver and Mr. O. P. Shellenberger.

The public schools opened Monday morning with a good attendance of pupils.

Mr. Hade is having his farm buildings repainted. B. F. Schlichter is doing the work.

Within two days two dogs belonging to H. U. Wismer were killed by trolley cars.

Mrs. Sallie Beard and Mrs. Myra Beard and Mrs. Myra Getman, of Norristown, are spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Rambo.

A thief visited the orchard on Mr. Hade's farm Saturday night and stole about three bushels of crab apples. Manager Cassel feels certain that he knows the thief and he proposes to keep a lookout for him in the future.

One day last week a cow belonging to Jacob Lewis gave birth to twin calves. One of the pair had its hind legs crossed or locked and its tail is located on the rear part of its back. A freak. The other calf is normal.

Jottings From Limerick.

The public schools of the township opened on Monday with a large number of pupils in attendance.

Plasterer Bucher finished plastering Borneman's house, Monday.

Joseph Bean won the second prize—a goose—in the heavy running match at the farmers' picnic at White City, Friday.

The music by the East Greenville Band, in a special car between Collegeville and Limerick, Thursday, was much appreciated.

Mrs. Deisher, of Pottstown, Mrs. Hade, of Reading, and Nathan Yerger, of Graterford, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Drace, Sunday.

Paul Kline is attending Schissler's Business College, Norristown.

Miss Emma Porr has returned home from a visit to friends in Reading.

T. D. Kline and son William visited Reading, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sheffey and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bean entertained visitors, Sunday.

The L. A. C. defeated the Field Club of Pottstown, Saturday. The boys are scheduled for a game with the Pottstown Giants, Linfield and a strong nine of Boyertown in the near future. Our ball players are moving up front.

From Gratersford.

Keyser's new wheelwright and paint shop is almost finished and makes a fine appearance.

Contractor Smith has finished repairs to the bridge and it is now open to travel.

John Hunsberger and S. Poley are hauling sand and filling in the viaduct at the bridge.

Elias T. Grater unloaded a carload of steel beams for the concrete railroad bridge over Lodie creek.

Geo. Leatherman was painfully injured in falling off a wall at Frank Wintz's place. Dr. Markley dressed the wounds.

Who started the rumor about a daring hold-up? However, guard your chickens and feed.

Isaac Huber has rented the Fuss property and will take possession soon.

Our public schools will open on Labor Day, September 6.

Geo. Dunn is increasing the depth of his cellar and will build a concrete cistern in the same.

Lodie creek is dry for the first time within the memory of our oldest citizens.

Wm. Troessler of New York City is spending his vacation with Nick Long.

FROM OAKS.

Mrs. Charles Harvey is sick and under the doctor's charge.

There was a large Sunday school picnic of the Catholic Sunday school of Conshohocken at Valley Forge park, Saturday.

Poor old Mexico shaken up by earthquakes, and now drenched with floods.

Samuel Garner, of Parkesburg, is visiting his brother, storekeeper at Port Kennedy.

It is hardly worth busting the buttons off your coat or drowning in a tidal wave over the increased prosperity, and the wonderful benefit the revision of the tariff has had on the country; but we are having only homeopathic doses, and when it comes in allopathic doses then we will begin to think prosperity is on us in earnest. It is poor policy to hire cheap labor and get less work done, than by experienced labor and getting more and better work done. A six per cent. raise from a reduction of wage of twenty per cent. is small. If labor in all its branches is not protected, what's the use of protection?

Amos and George Ellis returned from their trip to Wildwood, New Jersey, Friday.

Miss Kate Shull returned from a visit to friends in Perry county on Thursday.

Mrs. Charles Harvey is on the sick list.

Miss Rebe Brower returned to her home in Norristown, Thursday.

The funeral of Mrs. Ann Brower, Wednesday of last week, was largely attended. It was her desire that Rev. J. T. Meyers should preach her funeral sermon; but he was unable to be present.

How to get home from Lancaster: If the train is late go around by Philadelphia, land in Phoenixville, and if you have no conveyance walk home if you live in Oaks; but those who live in Geisburg were better situated.

Samuel F. Jarrett, of Jeffersonville, was in town on Wednesday.

We have not heard that call for a public meeting in regard to the repairing of the foot bridge over Brower's run so far. It will not be a call from Macedonia, but from Green Tree, and it would not be the thing to cut off communication between Oaks and Green Tree by Shank's livery.

A mad dog was noticed at Valley Forge, Friday morning; bit two or three dogs and headed towards Port Kennedy. Telephone wires were kept hot with instructions to head him off, men with guns and clubs were seen anxiously awaiting his coming, and he was killed over in the valley. How many other dogs he bit no one knows.

There is an increase in our population. Getting ready for the census.

Mrs. J. B. Steelman of New Jersey is visiting Mrs. Geo. Brown, Sr. Miss Breta A. Nichols and Mr. George Brown, Jr., were married by the Rev. Mr. Rorer, of the Methodist church, Norristown, Saturday.

Mrs. Jack Taylor and daughters visited Port Kennedy on Sunday.

Mrs. Howard went to Norristown on Sunday.

Harrigan was quite popular, and now it is Harriman, and it is quite harrowing to contemplate that the railroad king must be subjected to an operation.

How about John McBride? Has any one kidnapped him? There is a silence regarding him that is just harrowing.

The K. G. E.'s will hold a fruit festival on the vacant lot adjoining Doc. Evans' Audubon Inn this Saturday evening, and the Port Kennedy Band will furnish the music.

Miss Elizabeth Patton was in Philadelphia, Saturday.

Some campers go, and some campers come, and still there are some campers left.

Down here if a man thinks it will rain only, he is set down as having an attack of Thawania, and we are elected to dry up and bust.

Sunday an effort was made to fulfill the prediction of the weather man, but there was not sufficient rain fell to drive the flies to shelter.

Low Griffin is delinquent tax collector, and you who are in arrears better step up to the Captain's office and settle.

Strawdrippers strayed through the park Saturday night, and by looks of the straw straw on the drive you'd think was not straw enough left over to pull straws as to who was to pay for the ice cream at the end of the journey.

The County Home of our county, good old Montgomery, gained the blue ribbon at the farmers' convention and picnic held at the White City for the largest and best potatoes. Well, Farmer McDowell is one of the Directors.

Mr. John B. Dettra is considerably under the weather.

Mr. Kriebels of Pinetown will move to his Germantown residence shortly. His son William went to State College, Monday. Has been there two years.

We met Mr. Greenwalt, of Washington, D. C., Monday.

Caleb Cresson, Jr., has a very valuable book in press, giving a complete history of the churches of the Oaks parish—Audubon, Oaks and Perkiomen. It is embellished with cuts of the old and new buildings, scenery on the Perkiomen, photographs of rectors, lay members, charter members, and all those who took an active interest in building up the church. It is a valuable addition to the literature and history of the entire community. Was written and privately printed by Mr. Cresson, who is indefatigable in Sunday school and church work.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Oaks Fire Company will introduce themselves to the public with a festival Saturday evening, September 11, in the Fire Hall.

Ironbridge Castle, No. 104, K. G. E., will have an excursion to Woodland Beach, Saturday, September 11. A delightful trip by rail, and a beautiful sail on the waters blue, at a cheap fare. Go and take your best girl, or several girls, but be sure and go.

Correspondence

STREET OILING.

MR. EDITOR:—Ament the oiling of the main street of this borough for the purpose of allaying the dust of the street, a few words of comment may not be inappropriate as there are other sufferers besides the dwellers on our leading thoroughfare. A story is told of an aged clergyman whose sight had become somewhat dimmed by frequent perusal of the Holy Scriptures that upon one occasion when reading to his congregation the account of the creation of Adam and Eve and that while dwelling forcibly upon the rib feature of the story of Eve he turned what he supposed to be a single leaf in the good book, but instead of one leaf he turned several and unexpectedly landed himself from the rib story right in the midst of the ark story, and while still dwelling upon the wonderful metamorphosis of a rib into a woman he read the account of the building of the ark. Whether this story is true or not we leave the theologians to unravel, but it bears a moral in reference to our Main street, as Collegeville has been well pitched inside with asphalted oil, while our suburban streets are not at all considered in the street oiling. Now who are the equal sufferers from dust but the dwellers in the suburban districts. The Fifth and Second avenues and you will find the fences, the trees and lawns grimy with dust, and white garments exposed upon a line one quarter of a mile away from the street sufficiently long to dry are unfit to wear in consequence of being covered with grime. The Good Book says that the Lord sends the rain upon the just as well as the unjust and yet our poor sinners in the suburbs get neither rain nor oil, besides the Tax Collector gives us very little consideration in regard to our street. 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HER SCARECROW.

He Proved to Be Even Good Enough For a Husband.

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Olida walked down the green aisle of waving corn. The long green leaves flickered high over her sunny head, and the sound of the wind sweeping through the ten acre cornfield was like the roaring swell of the ocean in her ears.

Now and then she tore a plump ear from the juicy stalks and thrust it in her splint basket. She did this leisurely, for it was yet early morning, and there were hours before dinner, and she loved to walk in the corn.

The rustle of the leaves drowned all other sounds, and thus it was that she came suddenly upon a man crouching on the ground before her. As her pink skirts came into his range of vision he leaped to his feet and stood, half turned for flight.

The girl grew white with sudden fear and in her turn made as if to run away. The man's face lost its strained intensity and relaxed for an instant. She saw that he was young and good looking and that he was afraid of something.

"What do you want? Why are you here?"

"They're after me," he said grimly.

"Who?"

"The constables."

"What have you done?" She did not shrink away from him as he expected she might do.

"Nothing at all—if you will believe me! The Laureton railroad station was robbed last night, and it seemed necessary to arrest some one on suspicion. As a matter of fact, I'm one of the faculty of the Moreton school, and I'm taking a walking tour through New England.

"I submitted to arrest, but on my way to the lockup my gorge rose at the thought of the unnecessary ignominy to be thrust upon me, so I broke



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away and lost myself in this field. I suppose they will get me in the end, for I am dog tired now."

She lifted her troubled eyes to his and read truth in their steady brown depths.

Something black came into view among the stalks and then disappeared. For an instant she started and then laughed. Involuntarily the stranger's face relaxed into a smile.

"They will trace you by your clothes—your appearance?" she asked quickly. He glanced down at his plain gray clothes and nodded assent.

"Come with me," she led the way through the corn, and he followed her, starting back with a muttered ejaculation as a black coat sleeve came into view.

"It's nothing—it's only one of the scarecrows in the corn," she reassured him. "I thought you might take it down and put on the clothes—they're black—and the hat is different. They're all clean. You see, they've been out in the rain and—" She hesitated.

"That's a glorious idea of yours," he said gratefully. He pulled the man of straw from the post and tore away the tattered garments.

"Now"—he said, but she had rustled away toward her basket, and he heard her plucking juicy ears in the distance. When he came toward her with his gray clothes on his arm he forgave her the smile that lurked about her red lips.

"The truly great are modest," he said, looking quizzically at the torn and shrunken garments that were distributed more or less effectively over his large frame. "And now how shall I thank you?"

"By making good your escape," she said quickly. "We don't want to make a failure of it now. Give me your gray clothes. There—I'll put them in the bottom of my basket, and some day when it's all over you may come for them. Now follow this row down to the open field. Cross that to the orchard, and in one corner among the apple trees there is the shed where we sort apples for market. In the loft overhead there is clean straw where you can sleep till night, when it will be safe for you to go on. Goodby!"

In an instant she was gone and he was alone in the rustling corn. He heard the distant shout of a man's voice and another voice in reply. Then he turned and went swiftly down the green alley toward the orchard.

November winds were whistling through the lifeless stalks now gathered into great shocks over the scrubby field. Alida walked slowly over the brown earth, drinking in the tang of

the coming frost and the zest of the flying year.

Suddenly she came upon the place where she had met the fleeing stranger whom she had aided in the midsummer. She looked at the fantastic figure perched on a shock of corn, and her lips parted in a joyous laugh.

"It is you—you have come back?" she asked.

The scarecrow man grinned happily. "I came back for my clothes," he admitted.

Alida flushed under the brown of her cheek. "They are in the house. I told mother about you. We have been expecting you to come back."

"I am glad of that," he said simply. "You saw the papers after I escaped? You know that I spoke the truth to you that day. They captured the real criminal." He regarded her steadily.

"I read all about it, and we were very glad."

"Thank you. And I hope you were not annoyed that day you met the constable and his men." He was standing beside her, looking down at her sweet face with a certain earnestness in his own that had never been before.

"Yes; I met them and told them I had seen one man and that he looked like a scarecrow." She laughed and added mischievously, "The constable said that couldn't be the man because he was looking for a dude."

They laughed in unison as the stranger picked up a suit case and prepared to follow Alida toward the farmhouse.

When they were in sight of the comfortable dwelling the man stopped and looked wistfully at the girl beside him.

"Do you know, I rather hate to part with these 'scarecrow garments.' They have served me more than one good turn."

"More than one?" repeated Alida, faltering.

"More than one," with an enigmatic smile. "So with your permission I shall carry them away with me, that once in awhile I may come back and play the scarecrow as I did this morning."

"We shall not need a scarecrow until next May, when the corn is up, but you might come and practice."

And so it happened that when the following August came and the rustling corn formed arching green alleys Alida and the scarecrow man walked together in the cornfield.

"And you do not object to having a scarecrow for a husband?" he was saying tenderly, her hand lost in his grasp. "No, indeed!" blushed Alida happily.

CHAIRS.

Carlyle wins glory still with his reflections about clothes. Why has the chair never tempted essayists to rival "Sartor Resartus"? It, too, may reflect authority. It, too, changes with salary and station. The swivel gives orders to the high desk stool. The straight back chair of the stenographer differs much in meaning from the ampler piece of furniture which stands before the roll top desk. In a wheel chair the child may see the world, and after his pilgrimage, now an aged man, he may collect a little air. There are the chair of state and the electric chair of execution. The empty chair is a metaphor for all that is most tragic in our lives. What are the dreams of the artist's stool and what of the milkmaid's and which signify the more? How the rocking chair has been written about and despised by the haughty traveler from abroad and how firm it stands, a great American conquest in domestic comfort! Around the chair also and the attitude in which we sit lie associations of mental state:

The editor set in his sanctum, his countenance furrowed with care, His mind at the bottom of business, his feet at the top of a chair.

When does thought come best from seat of ease and when from the severer bench on which the schoolboy of old was wont to sit? You get the idea. Now go ahead with the immortal essay. All you need are concentrated thought and literary genius.—Collier's.

QUEER POSTOFFICES.

Odd means of collection of mail in various regions are still in vogue. At Fulness, a little island off the coast of England, there is set up what the British call "a pillar box," from which collections of mail can be made only when the tide shall permit, a notice to which effect is posted above the box. This result of the "necessity of invention" came about by reason of the fact that the place in question is reached by road from the town of Wakering only when the tide is very low.

There is a curious postoffice in Canada. It is situated in Lake Wabigoon, Ontario. It consists of a wooden box or trough fastened to a pole standing upright in a shallow portion of the lake. A steamer drops in this box such letters as may be carried for that region on her return voyage, and a canoe is sent out from the shore to collect them, at the same time leaving the outgoing mail ready to be taken up by the next vessel that passes outward.

The fishermen of the Grand banks have often employed a peculiar sea postoffice. This in the form of an open barrel lashed on a raised platform of crossed spars attached to a stationary buoy. Letters wrapped in oilskin are dropped into the barrel by passing trawlers and collected by others returning and reposted on land.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

THE ANTI-SPEED ARGUMENT.

"Was that a novel your messenger boy was reading?" "Worse than that," answered the man in charge of the office. "It was the fable of the hare and the tortoise."—Houston Post.

A PLACE TO DO TIME IN.

"Have you ever been to Dragway's place at Bungalowville-in-the-Bush?" "Yes; spent two weeks there one afternoon."—Browning's Magazine.

A LAKE THAT RAN AWAY.

It Changed the Face of a Part of Northern Vermont.

One hundred years ago the sites of Glover and Barton, in the northern part of Vermont, were mostly swamp land. A mill was located by a brook which was fed from one of the large ponds three or four miles from what is now the village of Glover. These mountain ponds or lakes, two or three miles square, are high up in the Green mountains and are among the most attractive spots in New England.

On June 6, 1810, three men went up the brook to see if a little more water could be let down to the mill. They removed some earth, when suddenly the quicksands gave way, and they saw that the whole lake was liable to be upon them.

Frantically they questioned, "Who will save the miller and his wife?"

Spencer Chamberlain, the fleetest of foot, ran as fast as possible through the tangle of thick woods to give warning, while the other men escaped to higher ground. He found the miller away and the miller's wife grinding at the mill. She became helpless with horror; but, breathless as her rescuer was from his flight, he succeeded in dragging and carrying her up the hill out of reach of the rushing water. The miller's horse was drowned and all of his hard earned property swept away in a twinkling.

The water rushed along, carrying everything before it, digging out ravines, filling up hollows and making a new surface to the land generally, some of it reaching Lake Memphremagog, more than a dozen miles away. It brought down so much sand that it filled the swamps and made them fit for habitation.

The site of the lake is now called Runaway pond or Dry pond and the road leading to it Runaway road. The ground which was once the bed of the lake is spongy and shakes when walked upon. Hay is grown there, but has to be cut by hand and carried off on pitchforks, as a horse would sink into the soggy mass.—Boston Globe.

TIDES OF PUGET SOUND.

The Swift and Turbulent Waters of the Narrows.

The waters of the narrows are treacherous. It is a place of terrible tides. Viewed from the precipitous shores, the surging waters are magnificent. The scene has been compared with the Hudson above New York city. The waters of that part of Puget sound which extends to Olympia, Mud bay, Shelton and Henderson bay, a vast inland sea within itself, all flow in and out of the narrows.

In the upper reaches of the sound some twenty-five or thirty miles from the narrows the tides attain a height of more than twenty feet. When the tides begin to fall all the accumulated water rushes out through the narrows like a great river at flood. In like manner when the tide sets in the direction of Olympia the narrows become a swift and turbulent stream. Frightful whirlpools are numerous. Streams running powerfully in contrary directions strike and the water boils.

Large steamboats struck by the contrary currents groan and creak and sway under the strain. This being so it is no wonder that small craft often overturn in the narrows. A whirlpool has been known to seize a rowboat and twist it round and round until the rowers almost despaired of coming out alive. It is a marvelously beautiful water with all its terrors, and hundreds and thousands will continue to find pleasure there, notwithstanding its occasional tragedies. The rumble of the tides when running at full is like the distant rumble of the ocean. The terrors of the sea are an element of its charm, and so it is with the terrors of the narrows.—Tacoma Ledger.

TWO APOLOGIES FOR A HAT.

A Kansas City man who had lost his hat at a public function in that metropolis caused the following unique advertisement to be published in the local papers:

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—St. Louis Republic.

ALL AFFECTED.

Sprigg went to a noted physician to ask advice as to his health. In pompous tones he addressed the doctor:

"I—ah—have come to—ah—ask you—ah—what—what is—ah—the doosid mattaw with me—ah!"

"I find your heart is affected," said the physician gravely.

"Oh—ah—anything else—ah?"

"Yes; your lungs are affected too."

"Anything—ah—else—ah?"

"Yes; your manners are also affected."—London Answers.

HYPOTHETICAL QUESTIONS.

"What will your mother say to you when you get home?" said one boy.

"She'll start in by asking me some hypothetical questions," answered precocious Willie.

"What are they?"

"Questions that she thinks she knows the answers to before she starts to talk."—Washington Star.

ARCHNESS.

Sally Gay—What a cunning little fellow Mr. Callipers is! Dolly Swift—Cunning? Why, he's dreadfully bow-legged. Sally Gay—Yes, but that gives him such an arch look, you know.—Truth.

CIRCUSES.

The Old and the New and the Greatest Drawing Card.

Before the one ring days and going back a few centuries the circus was represented in the person of a mountebank, a thin visaged, clean shaven man who hitched his trapeze to the sturdy limb of a village oak and did feats to the ill concealed amazement of a people who respected God somewhat, but the devil and his black magic a great deal more.

A long and high jump this—from mountebank to modern hippodrome, from a man who lived under his hat to a tented city which houses as many as 25,000 people in one day and regularly furnishes food, shelter and transportation for 1,200 more, to say nothing of a hospital, a postoffice and a commissary where one can purchase almost anything from a postage stamp to a suit of overalls.

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A man who was running a trick pony and dog show last year added a "thriller" to his program in the way of a dangerous flying trapeze act. To the delight of his pockets, but the intense disgust of his trainer's soul, the door receipts almost doubled. He had two men at the door one night who asked the outgoing crowds which part of the show they liked best—the trick animals or the acrobats. They answered as one, "The acrobats!"

Danger—danger to other human lives and limbs—that's the drawing card, after all, excepting only the children who are too young to be gory minded and who find most delight in the clowns. We growups like the "thrillers"—the more deadly the better. —William Allen Johnston in Harper's Weekly.

WHAT HE WAS TELLING HIM.

An Incident That Ended the Conversation at the Barber's.

"You are very bald, sir," said the barber to little Binks as the latter took up his position in the chair.

"What's that you say?" asked Binks pleasantly.

"I say you are very bald, sir," repeated the barber.

"Who is?" asked Binks.

"You, sir," said the barber.

"What paper did you see that in?" demanded Binks.

"What's that, sir?" asked the barber.

"What newspaper?" repeated Binks.

"I read all the papers, but I didn't see any reference to this. Was it in one of the early editions of the evening papers?"

"Was what, sir?" queried the puzzled barber.

"This thing you were just telling me," said Binks.

"Why, I don't remember telling you"—began the barber.

"About my being bald, you know," said Binks. "You said I was very bald, didn't you?"

"Yes," said the barber, "but I didn't mention the newspapers, sir. Why should it be in the newspapers, sir?"

"Why, because it's news, isn't it?" said Binks.

"I shouldn't say that, sir," said the barber.

"Well, if it isn't news, what in thunder did you tell me about it for?" demanded Binks. "I supposed you had read about it in one of the papers and had reached the conclusion that I didn't know it. If you find a mole under my left ear while shaving me, break it to me gently, please, and you may omit all mention of the fact that my beard is getting gray. I am trying to stave off a realization of the"—

But just then the barber accidentally ran his latter brush over Bink's mouth, and the conversation ceased.—Lippincott's.

THE MECHANICAL CHOIR.

"I hear that your church has installed a phonograph stuffed with sacred music?"

"Yes. Had to do it. Choir had struck."

"New scheme work all right?"

"It's beautiful. Never quarrels with itself, has no skirts to rustle, doesn't fret about the angle of its hat, refrains from giggling or powdering its nose, and if it gets out of order a mechanic can repair it."—Philadelphia Ledger.

THE DAY HE SELECTED.

When Mr. Gladstone was alive he was once discussing with some friends at Hawarden castle the greatest day in the world's history. Each member of the group was asked to say on which day he, in the past or the future, would prefer to live, it being supposed that he should have his present knowledge, and afterward return to his present existence. Mr. Gladstone chose a day in Greece when Athens was at its highest glory.

NOT LIKE HIM.

The Vicar—I'm surprised at you, Miggs. Why, look at me. I can go into the town without coming back intoxicated. Miggs—Yesh, zur. But Ol be so popular.—London Telegraph.

MIGHT HAVE HELPED.

"We were traveling all day in the teeth of the gale."

"Pity you didn't have a dentist."

"What for?"

"To draw the teeth!"

THAT'S DIFFERENT.

"Here's a case where fear turned dark hair yellow."

"Fear turned the hair yellow! Bosh!"

"Fear of being out of style."—Exchange.

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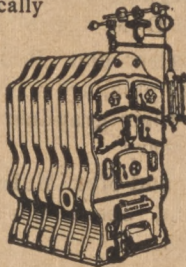
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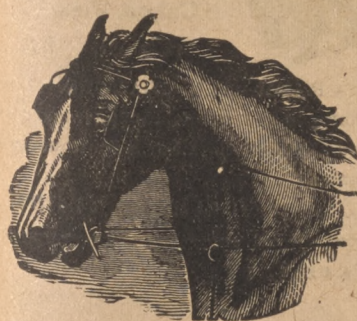
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SHELDON'S HOUSEKEEPER.

A Wager and What It Won For the One Who Lost.

By HAROLD STRONG LATHAM.
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"I speak from experience, Stewart, and I say most emphatically that it is impossible to secure an all round satisfactory housekeeper."

"What's troubling you? Has that latest and most hopeful one of all departed?"

"Yes—today. She drank."

"Another one in view yet?"

"No, and how I wish there never had to be! They're all alike."

"Oh, pshaw! You're a pessimist."

"Well, they are—housekeepers and women in general; good to look at—some of them, anyway—but that's as far as they go."

"Hold on there, old man! Just remember that you're talking to one who



IT WAS WHILE SHE WAS DUSTING THE BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY.

has lately taken unto himself a spouse. You aren't fair. You pass judgment upon the whole sex when all that you really know about them is what you have learned from the few whom you have hired to work for you."

"I'm judging from all the women that I ever knew. My mother died when I was a baby, and I have no sisters. Just look at the girls of my set. They dance and sing, but what earthly thing are they good for?"

"If that is the case it is about time that you made some new acquaintances."

"Seeing is believing with me." There was a pause in the conversation. The two men were seasoning their argument with periods of thought and smoke. They were good friends, though differing widely in material circumstances and usually in convictions. One, Frank Sheldon, was rich and single; the other, Stewart Van Cleave, was rather poor and married. Both were young. The silence, which had lasted for several minutes, was finally broken by Van Cleave.

"Humph! he said, drawing his pipe slowly from his mouth. 'I've got an idea.'"

"How unusual!" Sheldon laughed. "My wife is dying for a piano," the other went on, paying no attention to the rallery, "and I think I see how to get her one."

"Wish I saw how to get a housekeeper," came lazily through the tobacco smoke in reply.

"The two things are connected in my idea. You say women are all alike and that it is impossible to hire a good housekeeper. I dare you to back it up with a bet."

"A bet! On a housekeeper?"

"Yes."

"Well, fire ahead. What is it?"

"Simply this—that I can produce a housekeeper who will prove entirely satisfactory to you and that aunt of yours who lives with you."

"What are the terms?" Sheldon asked abruptly.

"If I win you buy me a piano. If I lose I pay the girl's wages. Is it a go?"

"Indeed it is. I've got to strike out upon the housekeeper market again, and if you want to make an employment bureau out of yourself I'm sure I don't care. But you'll lose."

"Don't be too sure of that. But, by the way, there must be a time limit to this. You might like her, but she might not like you, you know. Suppose we say that she is to stay for three weeks, longer if you want her to and can persuade her to do so."

"Agreed. But, really, I'm awfully sorry for you. I hate to see you lose," Sheldon said in mock concern.

"You'd better spend your time visiting the piano dealers," the other retorted good naturedly.

Two days afterward "the girl" put in her appearance and was hired. Sheldon transacting that business himself, for he had learned by sad experience that where servants were concerned the more his too exacting aunt could be kept in the background the better.

"The girl" was at first shy and doubtful about her work, but day by day she grew more skillful until, at the end of the third week, Sheldon was forced to admit that she realized his highest ideals. And then he fell in love with her!

It was while she was dusting the books in the library that he asked her to be his wife. He had hardly begun his fervent avowal of love when she interrupted him.

"Mr. Sheldon. I cannot let you go

on," she said and turned her face away from him. "What you ask is impossible, or at least—oh, I cannot, I will not, say anything more! See Mr. Van Cleave. He will tell you that I, that we, have been deceiving you." With that she hurried out of the room.

Sheldon was very much bewildered at her actions, but he lost no time in going in search of Van Cleave. In less than an hour he returned.

He found "the girl" in the hall just ready to leave. He took her by the hand and led her to a seat and then sat down beside her. He did not speak for a moment, and when he did his voice was very low and gentle.

"Dear," he said, "I love you all the more now, my plucky little housekeeper."

"You know, then?" she asked.

"I know that you, besides being the best girl that I ever knew, are the sister of my most intimate friend, Stewart Van Cleave. Tell me, why did you do it?"

"You said that women were only good to look at."

"And it was that remark that did it all?"

"Yes; I wanted you to see that there were women who were good for something, and then," she added bashfully, "Stewart told me of your bet, and I wanted him to win that piano."

Sheldon smiled. "He certainly has won," he said. He took her hand and continued: "Once there was a fellow who was neither very good nor very bad, but he had a great dislike for women. He had never been fortunate enough to meet one that he could respect through and through, and so he had grown to believe that there was none who came up to his ideal. But one day, quite by chance, there came into his life one whom he saw to be the realization of his dreams. He knew then that his opinions were all wrong. Marie, I can't go on this way any longer. You are the one woman. You have restored my faith. Will you be my wife?"

He caught her to him, for he had read her answer in her eyes.

It was not until two weeks later, however, that he was allowed to put the ring upon her finger, for she had argued that it would be better for them to meet under conditions to which they were both accustomed and in their proper social spheres.

The lights were very low in the Van Cleave library on that happy evening, and two chairs were very close together. What was said was spoken so softly that no one could hear. But finally the two came out of their seclusion and went into the parlor, where they found Mrs. Van Cleave seated at a new and shiny piano, happily playing.

"I made you lose your bet," Marie whispered.

"But I won a wife," Sheldon replied lovingly.

A Picturesque Survival.

Along the Pfalz and on the hills of Thuringia and also in some parts of eastern Prussia the traveler on midsummer eve may still see the bonfires and even if he be favored the flaming wheel (image of the descending sun) hurled down the bank into the river; also in quite a number of places he may be present at the "fire dance," for, though the dance round and over the midsummer fire is a heathen rite, it has come to be associated with a sort of superstitious loyalty to the house of Hohenzollern. It was while attending the rite of the fire dance in the market place at Tangermunde that "Fair Elise of Bavaria" received from a witch woman the prophecy, "Of thy seed shall blossom a race of emperors." Now Fair Elise—that is, Elizabeth of Bavaria—married Frederic I. of Hohenzollern, elector of Brandenburg, and his descendant now sits on the imperial throne. Between the prophecy and its fulfillment at Versailles there elapsed 440 years.—London Graphic.

Men's Lengthy Goodbys.

The stenographer sighed audibly and threw down her pencil.

"What's the matter now?" asked the little office girl.

"Talk about women!" replied the stenographer. "Did you ever see any woman beat that record?"

"What record?"

"Why, those men saying goodbye. Here I've been waiting for twenty minutes for that man to go. I want to take dictation. Every time he takes a step toward the door Mr. B. says 'Hold on a minute' or something. And if Mr. B. doesn't stop him he turns back of his own accord. For twenty minutes they've been bidding each other farewell and remembering something they'd forgotten. Every few seconds they get a little nearer the door. I suppose they'll finish up by going out together. I've often heard how long it takes two women to say goodbye to each other, but I get a good chance to see how long the men take, and I'm blessed if it isn't longer."—New York Press.

No Airs Splitting.

"But," argues the exasperated automobilist who has been hailed before the country justice, "you haven't the shadow of a reason for arresting and trying me. Why, man, my machine was standing stock still, absolutely motionless! Even the constable will tell you that."

"The automobilist was a-standin' still all right," acknowledges the constable, "but its engine was runnin' full blast, an' it sounded just like they do when they go forty miles a hour."

"But my machine was not moving! Judge, this is prepos!"

"The evidence is all against you," coldly decides the justice. "Twenty dollars and costs. This is not the time or place for idle technicalities."—Tulsa.

JOKES ON MONARCHS.

Some Daring Pranks Played Upon Royal Personages.

A FLOWER FOR THE KAISER.

Decorations That Made His Majesty Explode With Wrath—A Medical Diploma For a Prince of Wales—The Duke and the Stockbrokers.

Some years ago a paragraph appeared in a Berlin daily stating that Prince Henry, who had just returned from his visit to the United States, had brought home as a present to his brother a number of plants of a new variety of crimson carnation. "As every one knows," the paragraph concluded, "the red carnation is his imperial majesty's favorite flower."

On the day after the publication of this news the kaiser was due at Aix-la-Chapelle. A member of the town council suggested that every one in the town wear a buttonhole of the kaiser's favorite flower.

The suggestion was at once acted on. The frock coated members of the deputation which waited next morning on the platform each wore proudly a buttonhole of the deepest crimson.

The poor fellows could not conceive why the kaiser's demeanor was so freezing. He dismissed them with a few words, got into his carriage and drove off.

At the town hall was another deputation, similarly decorated. Then his majesty's wrath exploded. "What is the meaning of this insult?" he demanded. Some one explained, and then one of the kaiser's attendants took the mayor aside. "My dear sir," he said, "surely you know that the red carnation is the emblem of the Social Democrats and of all flowers the one which his majesty chiefly detests!"

Many years ago King Edward VII., then Prince of Wales, was the subject of a stupid hoax. He received a letter informing him of his unanimous election as honorary member of the Princeton medical faculty and signed by three students. With his invariable courtesy the recipient requested his private secretary to acknowledge it. The reply said, "His royal highness will remember with pride and satisfaction the mark of distinction received at the hands of the Princeton medical faculty."

As a matter of fact, there is not and never was such an organization.

As impudent a hoax as ever was heard of was perpetrated in 1904 upon a Belgian paper. A letter purporting to be in the handwriting and above the signature of Princess Louise of Coburg was received by the editor, who very foolishly published it without first assuring himself as to its genuineness.

This letter gave a long catalogue of the wrongs of Princess Louise and of her sisters and constituted a most brutal attack upon her father, the king of the Belgians.

The letter was at once copied by a number of other papers, including more than one in England. Naturally it gave great pain to the princess herself, and the only wonder is that a prosecution for libel was not the immediate result.

Some years ago a young American woman who was staying in Copenhagen made a bet with a friend that she would propose to the king of Denmark.

On one of the king's public reception days the American lady found her way to the royal residence.

"What can I do for you, madam?" asked the king.

"Your majesty, I desired to ask you if you would like to marry me?" was the reply.

The king merely smiled.

"I am afraid I am a little too old," he said, and at the same moment he beckoned to one of the officials to conduct the lady to the door. He had put her down as a harmless lunatic.

A joke of rather a rough order was played upon the first cousin of the emperor of Austria, the Archduke Salvator, once when he was in Paris. He was passing the bourse—the Parisian equivalent of the Stock Exchange—when his companion, a lanky young French count, suggested that he might look inside.

"If you walk straight in," he said, "no one will notice you. They will take you for a stockbroker."

The duke took him at his word, but of course he was no sooner inside than he was recognized as a sightseer. His silk hat was instantly spirited away, and he was at once surrounded by a mob of dealers with notebooks shouting fabulous offers to buy or sell stock.

The duke had a desperate struggle to reach the front lobby, and when at last he got there, hatless and breathless, he found that some genial soul had pinned a long price list to the tails of his coat.

It is not likely that any reigning sovereign ever got a more unpleasant scare than did Ferdinand of Bulgaria some five years ago. His private secretary, a young baron, was away in Austria on a vacation when a letter arrived for his royal master announcing that he did not propose to return and that he would be glad for the sum of £40,000; otherwise, he wrote, he would be compelled to sell a number of secret documents which he had taken away with him.

Instantly Prince Ferdinand dispatched a couple of secret service envoys in chase of his missing secretary, whom they ran to ground peacefully shooting on his own estate. Further investigation proved the missive to be nothing but a hoax.—London Answers.

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SUNDAY OBSERVANCE AND PERSONAL LIBERTY.

It is safe to assume that a very large majority of ordinarily reasonable persons entertain the conviction that Sunday should be generally observed as the one special day of the week for meetings of a religious character, for moral and intellectual advancement, and as a day of rest from the labor involved in providing means for the securement of the necessities of life, and as a day of recreation. The opinion pretty generally prevails that Sunday should be thus regarded and respected. The hindrances to the enforcement of that opinion arising, as they do, from the changing conditions and increasing complexities of human existence, afford at times much heated discussion. When one part of humanity assumes to define just what another portion of humanity SHALL, or SHALL NOT, do on Sunday, considerations as to personal liberty come to the forefront and interpose very serious objections. All legal enactments designed to regulate the conduct of private individuals are only capable of enforcement in proportion to the strength of public sentiment in any particular quarter of Society. Laws represent the wisdom as well as the prejudices and ignorance of men. Hence some laws are wise, some otherwise, and some inherently unjust because subversive of true personal liberty. The most benign laws, laws that will most effectually conserve the best interests of all the units of Society must of necessity recognize the sacredness of individual rights and liberties within well-defined limitations. Most so-called blue laws are ineffective because they are substantially repudiated by public sentiment. They would be repealed were it not for the time-serving cowardice of lawmakers. This consideration, however, does not eliminate the responsibility of the State to enact rational regulations in the form of law to preserve public peace and good order, as well as to hold secure the individual rights and liberties aforementioned. The very best that any law can do in a moral or religious sense is to restrain evil. It can neither create nor enforce goodness. It cannot, by mere decree, make a wicked person good. It is capable of restraining to a certain extent, through fear of punishment, such person within the bounds of the law; that's all. Good citizens are such not by law but by the goodly influences which naturally exist within them, individually; and the enlightenment and training which strengthen those influences. In the last analysis of the subject the highest well-being of Society MUST REST UPON THE GOOD BEHAVIOR AND JUSTICE OF THE INDIVIDUAL UNITS OF SOCIETY DURING 365 DAYS OF EVERY YEAR. * * A few observations relating to Sunday and personal liberty, aside from considerations as to employment for a livelihood. Those who find encouragement, helpfulness, comfort, hope, and social enjoyment in attending a church of any denomination or particular creed should be protected absolutely in their liberty and right to so observe a part of every Sunday, and to be preserved from the molestation of disorderly persons. Their religion is their sacred individual personal belonging. And it is not out of place to note in passing that it is the admitted right, if not duty, of the thousands of persons who attend religious meetings to persuade those who are not in the habit of attending such gatherings to do likewise. Persuasion is powerful. Anathemas and epithets simply aggravate and are therefore helpless as an argument. An ounce of reason is worth a ton of condemnation as a permanently persuading factor. And let no one imagine that Religion in its broadest sense is dying. False creeds and dogmas will die—must die; but the Religion of Truth, Justice, Love, Goodness, Mercy, Hope, Happiness, with a fair sprinkling of common-sense, will perish only when the human race disappears from the face of the earth. * * Those who prefer to read and reflect, to improve themselves intellectually and morally without attending religious meetings on Sundays; remain at home, or leave home for either rest or recreation, are

within the limitations of their sacred personal liberty, and have an entire right to demand protection in the exercise of their liberty, provided they in nowise interfere with the liberties and rights of other people. And right here is a consideration of very essential import. It is right, rational, conduct that counts as an uplifter of humanity, and any act performed on a Sunday that is inherently wrong or destructive of the well-being of Society, is equally wrong or destructive when committed during ANY OTHER DAY OF THE WEEK. Recreations and amusements inherently harmless during weekdays cannot be changed into harmful factors on Sunday, provided those who engage in recreations and amusements do not operate against the exercise of the liberties and rights of those who attend church, remain at home, or go abroad. It all depends upon the CONDUCT of individuals, and not upon the particular character or form of inherently harmless recreations and amusements. For instance, young men who happen to play base ball on Sunday are not to be condemned, PROVIDED they maintain good order, do not interfere with the liberty and comfort of other persons, and play a fair, manly game; for unfairness and unmanliness should be considered distinctly out of order every day in the week. They have no right to disturb the peace of the neighborhood where they play, and any disorderly conduct on or off the ball field, on trolley cars, or elsewhere, should invite censure and punishment in proportion to the offense. It is the right and privilege of those who feel that the boys should not play base ball on Sunday to reason with the boys and show wherein it is wrong and harmful to so engage themselves on Sunday. Censure and punishment for wrong conduct during any day in the week should not wait upon whys and wherefores. Justice is justice and justice tempered with mercy is sufficient in dealing with guilt. But the boys who are manly and behave themselves at work or play, are the boys to be reasoned with; they are well worth reasoning with, for every best one of them possesses sound metal. They will listen and think. If they fail to be convinced it will be reasonable to assume paucity of argument or weakness in the presentation of evidence. Robust young men will be sure to be doing something every day in the week; if not at work they will be otherwise engaged. A little reason and diplomacy as regulators of conduct are potent. Denunciations and threats are at best aggravative, as well as impotent as an argument. * * The proper observance of Sunday carries with it rightful conduct and respect for all the sacred liberties of all individuals; not the FALSE LIBERTY of riotous, vulgarities and the FALSE LIBERTY which imposes its immoralities, indecencies, and so forth, upon individuals and the public every day in the week. The relative "holiness" of Sunday depends upon the conservation of true personal liberty and sound morality. With these influences in full control the God of the Universe will be adored by human deeds, and all Sundays will, in a broad sense, become both "holy" and religious.

THE Times-Chronicle, of Jenkintown, appeared in eight page seven column form last week, and Editor Clayton deserves to be congratulated upon the improved make-up and appearance of his good newspaper.

A NEW FIELD of medical science is opened by the Paris surgeon who has grafted a sheep's jugular vein on the leg of a patient suffering from arterial aneurism. Modern surgery has many wonderful feats to its credit, but none surpassing this in the possibilities of benefit to humanity which it suggests.

ACCORDING to the annual report of the Land Office at Washington 755,341 acres of stolen land were recovered by the general Government last year, and there still remains over 35,000 cases awaiting judicial decision. In this list of cases is that of the 200,000 acres of coal land which is to be investigated next month, and which involves not less than 50,000,000 tons of coal. It is gratifying to know that Uncle Sam is succeeding in part at least in depriving a lot of scoundrels of their stolen property.

By preserving its cross-ties with creosote the Pennsylvania Railroad Company expects to prolong their life to twice their period of usefulness when left untreated; and to correspondingly reduce the consumption of timber. The railroads of the United States require 100,000,000 ties annually, and to supply them over 1,000,000 acres of forest are stripped of their timber each year. If the creosoting of ties should reduce this consumption of timber one-half the general practice of this method would be a measure of forest conservation second in importance to none.

LONE MAN HOLDS UP A TRAIN

Stops Pennsy Express, Terrorizes Crew and Robs Safe.

ESCAPES TO MOUNTAINS

Placed Dynamite Cap on Rails in Lonely Spot Near Lewistown, Pa., and Compels Messenger to Throw Out Bags of Coin, After Shooting Conductor in the Hand—Escaped With About \$400.

Lewistown, Pa., Sept. 1.—One of the most audacious and startling hold-ups of a railroad train in the east for years took place on the eastern slope of the Allegheny mountains, when a lone highwayman stopped a Pennsylvania railroad express train with a dynamite cartridge, and at the point of a revolver compelled the crew to carry thousands of dollars in coin and bullion from the express car to a spot in the wilderness. When the conductor of the train attempted to interfere with the robbers' plans he was shot in the hand, and the bold bandit succeeded in making good his escape.

Mistook Lincoln Pennies for Gold. In the darkness, however, the robber mistook a bag containing 10,000 new Lincoln pennies for gold coin, and staggered away with it, leaving the real gold bullion to be recovered by the railroads.

When the news of the robbery reached the railroad and express company officials they were deeply concerned at its boldness, and immediately ordered every available detective from the east and west to the scene in an effort to capture the audacious bandit. Bloodhounds were also put on his track, but with no immediate success.

Superintendent Preston and other officials of the middle division of the Pennsylvania railroad have established headquarters at the signal tower near the scene in order to make as thorough investigation of the crime as possible. The general superintendent and general manager of the Adams Express company are on the ground to assist in directing the search.

The looted train was made up of an engine, three express cars and two sleeping coaches filled with passengers. It was running through Lewistown narrows, a wild and lonely mountain gorge, through which flows the Juniata river, when suddenly a dynamite cap exploded, and the engine driver brought the train to a standstill. When he looked out to see what the trouble was he was confronted by a masked figure, holding a revolver in either hand.

Forced Crew to Carry Loot. "Are there any mail cars on this train?" demanded the highwayman. "No," was the reply of the startled engineer. The engine crew was then forced at the point of the gun to accompany the robber to the first express car, where the messenger was looking out to discover the cause of the sudden stopping of the train. A revolver was pointed at the messengers' head, and threatening to blow up the car with dynamite, the robber forced the messengers of the two express cars and engine crew to carry all the gold and bullion stacked in the first car to the side of the tracks. Conductor I. R. Poffenberger, of Harrisburg, Pa., who came up while this work was being accomplished, was ordered back by the bandit, who emptied one of his revolver's at him, one of the shots penetrating his hand and the other grazing his body.

Bullion Found Beside Track. Despite the appearance of three passengers, who had been awakened by the shooting, the robber calmly ordered the crew back on the train and compelled them to steam away, leaving the bullion beside the track. It was recovered later by a posse sent on a special train. It was reported that, in addition to the missing pennies, several thousand dollars in currency was missing, but the express company officials refuse to announce the exact amount of their loss.

No clue to the robber's identity has yet been discovered. He is described as being about five feet eight inches in height, and was dressed in dark clothing and wore a slouch hat pulled well down over his eyes. When the train was leaving he called out, "Good-bye and good luck. I hope to see you again."

Agent Hamaker, of this place, sent a safe to the scene of the robbery to receive the six bags of pennies on which the seals had not been broken, but which had been cut open with a sharp knife to ascertain the contents and abandoned by the robber in disgust.

Homes of 200 Miners Burned. Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Sept. 1.—Ten double blocks owned by the West End Coal company, at Lee, a mining village near here, were completely destroyed by fire. They were occupied by 200 miners in the employ of the company, all of whom were homeless until shelter could be obtained for them. The origin was a defective flue.

Held Up Cashier and Rob Bank. Mineola, Ia., Sept. 1.—Two masked men, armed with pistols, held up Cashier F. H. Nipp, of the Mills County German bank, here, and escaped with \$1500 in cash.

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Twelve hundred persons drowned, 15,000 homeless and property damaged to the extent of \$12,000,000 is the result of a flood which struck Monterey, Mex. Over four hundred bodies have been recovered.

The flood waters of the Santa Catarina river continues on their rapid course, and to add to the horror of the situation rain commenced to fall and caused untold suffering to the thousands of homeless persons who had congregated on the various plazas.

The destructive flood, due to the continued fall of rain for the past ninety-six hours, swept everything before it, and hardly a vestige is left of what was a few days ago a conglomeration of small huts swarming with families belonging to the poorer classes. The number of dead, which cannot be accurately estimated, for days, is placed at 1200.

Many families were swept to death with hardly a chance for their lives. With the on-rush of the waters, pandemonium reigned, and as the victims were swept from their homes, on the tops of which many had sought shelter, never anticipating that the water would reach an unprecedented height, pitiful appeals for assistance could be heard by those on higher ground, but aid of any kind was impossible. The scene was indescribable. All through the flooded district groups could be seen huddled on the tops of two-story buildings, entirely surrounded by a tumultuous, seething mass of water. One by one, these houses disappeared with their human freight.

Already many bodies have been recovered, but it is impossible to state the exact number. A semi-reliable authority says the police records show that 400 bodies had been recovered. Scores of other bodies are believed to be still lodged at various points along the stream, and it may be weeks before they are recovered.

Pitiful scenes are reported among the women and children. Many women have been separated from their husbands; mothers from their children, without knowledge of the whereabouts of one another.

Little effort to recover the bodies of the drowned has yet been made, the chief thing done under the chaotic conditions prevailing, being providing of shelter and food for the living.

Four Young Girls Meet Violent Deaths.
Four young girls met violent deaths at Camden, N. J. Two were drowned while wading in the Delaware river and two others were killed by a train on the West Jersey & Seashore railroad.

Florence Lyons, aged eight years, and Annie Bulber, aged fifteen years, were wading with a number of companions in the Delaware river near the yards of the New York Shipbuilding company, when Florence stepped into a sluice where the water was above her head. Annie hurried to her assistance and also got into deep water. Neither of the girls could swim, and both drowned before assistance could reach them.

Violet Schvickl, aged twelve years, and Jessie Knowalski, aged eleven years, were flying a kite near their home, when it became entangled in the iron work of the elevated railroad tracks of the West Jersey & Seashore railroad. They climbed the embankment and were trying to untangle the kite, when they were struck by the locomotive of an express train and hurled to the street below.

Curtiss Wins Honors at Rheims.
The international cup of aviation, also known as the Gordon Bennett trophy, was won at Rheims, France, by Glenn H. Curtiss, the American aviator, in the fastest aerial journey of twenty kilometers (12.4 miles) ever accomplished by man. His time, 15 minutes 50 3-5 seconds, was only 5 2-5 seconds faster than that made by Blieriot over the same course. The other two pilots who represented France, Latham and Lefebvre, finished respectively in 17 minutes 32 seconds and 20 minutes 47 3-5 seconds.

Henry Farman, the English aviator, in a ship built of his own design, broke the world's records for duration and distance in a heavier than air machine and won the Grand Prix de Champagne—the endurance contest—by a remarkable flight recorded as 180 kilometers, 111.77 miles, in 3 hours, 4 minutes and 56 2-5 seconds. He actually covered 118.06 miles. A few minutes after 7 in the evening, under the rules, the timekeepers could not keep a record.

Zeppelin Airship Arrives at Berlin.

The airship Zeppelin II, with Count Zeppelin at the helm, arrived safely at Berlin Sunday afternoon. The voyage from Friedrichshafen was marked by an accident to the airship which caused a considerable delay at Bitterfeld. At that point Count Zeppelin met the craft and was greeted by the crowd

prince, representing the emperor. The emperor himself witnessed the arrival of the airship here.

Two monarchs of the air, Count Zeppelin and Orville Wright, foremost exponents of distinct systems of aerial navigation, met at Berlin for the first time. They were introduced by the monarch of the German empire.

Double Lynching in Georgia.
Following the shooting and burning of Ben Clark, an escaped negro convict, by a posse, and the killing of James Durden, a prominent planter, of Soperton, Ga., who was a member of the posse, in the fight with Clark, John Sweeney, another negro, who had harbored Clark, was taken from a passenger train near Tarrytown and hanged by the posse.

Four other members of the posse were wounded in the battle with Clark and one, Sheriff James Lester, of Montgomery county, probably will die. The posse found Clark, an escaped convict, in Sweeney's house. The wife of Sweeney was at home, but Sweeney was absent. The sheriff called on Clark to surrender. For answer he received a 44-calibre bullet fired from a rapid-fire gun. Durden was shot and other members of the posse fell before the torrent of lead dealt out by the negro. He continued to fire until his ammunition was exhausted. He was then overpowered and his body riddled with bullets. He wore a steel breastplate that turned Winchester bullets. A pile of logs was covered with crude turpentine and the body was placed upon them and cremated. In the excitement the woman escaped.

Friends of Benzoxate Win.
After a sharp and protracted debate the resolution endorsing the findings of the so-called "Remsen board," which declared benzoxate of soda to be not harmful when used as a preservative, was adopted by the convention of the Association of State and National Food and Dairy Departments at Denver, Colo., by a vote of 57 to 42.

The opposing forces were the government chemical experts, including members of the Remsen referee board, who contended that benzoxate was harmless, and some of the two hundred state food commissioners and agriculturalists delegated to the convention.

Bear Carries Off Baby; Attacks Father.
James Doolittle, a homesteader near Nyack, Mont., was probably fatally injured in rescuing his four-year-old daughter from a grizzly bear which had picked her up and taken her some 200 yards away.

Doolittle, hearing the child scream, gave chase on horseback. The horse threw Doolittle, breaking his leg, when the grizzly turned and clawed him in a frightful manner, almost disemboweling him and chewing both legs and arms almost to a pulp. Aside from a few scratches, the baby was uninjured.

New Trotting Records.
Hamburg Belle defeated Uhlman in two straight heats in their match race at North Randall, near Cleveland, O., and also set a new world's record for a trotting race and for the fastest two heats ever trotted.

The new record for a mile is 2:01 1/4, and was made in the first heat of the race. The former record of 2:03 1/4 was held by Crescens.

Sweet Marie formerly held the record for the fastest two heats trotted, having made miles in 2:04 1/4 and 2:03 1/4. Hamburg Belle's time is 2:01 1/4 and 2:01 1/4.

Offers \$100,000 For Big Fight.

Jack Munroe, the former heavy-weight prize fighter, and now mayor of Elk City, Ont., telegraphed to Robert Edgren, a local sporting writer of New York, that the Elk City Athletic club had offered a purse of \$100,000 for the Jeffries-Johnson fight, to take place in Canada one year from date. Munroe does not state the exact location of the battleground, but says it is less than thirty-six hours from Chicago, New York and other eastern cities.

York, Pa., Prosecutor Found Dead.

District Attorney William L. Ammon, of York, Pa., died in his stable under circumstances which indicated suicide, but the physicians who examined the body declared that death was caused by heart disease. An official examination of his accounts with the Standard Building and Loan association, made by request of the state banking department, reveals a shortage existing over a period of fifteen years. The shortage is said to be \$40,000.

Ball Player Killed by Lightning.

In full view of 1000 people, William Bedford, of Cairo, Ill., negro second baseman of the Cuban Giants base ball team, was instantly killed by lightning while practicing before the game with the Atlantic City team at Inlet park. The bolt struck the ground close to the player, and ran through the spikes in his shoes into his body. Although dead when picked up, Bedford's body carries no burns or other marks of the lightning.

Made Whisky From Prunes In Prison.

Eight guards at the western Pennsylvania penitentiary in Pittsburgh have been dismissed, it is alleged, because they have failed to detect some of the prisoners who are said to have been making whisky in the big prison.

According to one of the discharged guards, other employees at the penitentiary are implicated. The whisky was made from prune juice, yeast and sugar.

Killed In Fist Fight.

Hiram Oakes, a retired merchant of Des Moines, Ia., was killed at Columbus junction in a fist fight with Charles Brown, of Fredonia. The man overruled over financial matters.

JUSTICE MOODY SERIOUSLY ILL

Removed in Ambulance From R.R. Station to His Home.

APPEARED TO BE HELPLESS

Although His Ailment Has Been Pronounced Rheumatism, Physicians Believe It to Be More Serious—Was In Sanitarium in New York State.

Haverhill, Mass., Sept. 1.—With many precautions for secrecy, Associate Justice William H. Moody, of the United States supreme court, was removed in a police ambulance from the



JUSTICE MOODY.

Bradford railroad station to his home here. It is understood that his condition is serious. He appeared to be helpless during the transfer from the train to the ambulance.

Although Justice Moody's ailment was announced as a case of rheumatism and gout, local physicians who have known him for years, believe it to be more serious.

Justice Moody came here, it is understood, from a sanitarium in New York state, where he has been for several weeks from a short stay at Hot Springs, Ark. No intimation of his indisposition had been received here previously.

BALLOON CONSUMPTION CURE

Up-In-the-Air Treatment Most Successful, Declare Experts.

Ottawa, Sept. 1.—Israel Kenney, of Paris, Ont., has invented a balloon system for the treatment of tuberculosis. It consists of a main balloon, which is suspended half a mile above the earth by a cable and an auxiliary balloon running up the cable to take patients and doctors up and down.

It is not yet quite in shape, but he says the general idea is feasible. German doctors, he says, have declared that "up in the air" treatment is the most successful method of curing tuberculosis.

CHILD BURNED TO CRISP

Played at Stove and Her Clothing Became Ignited.

Lancaster Pa., Sept. 1.—Elsie Eisenberger, the six-year-old daughter of George Eisenberger, of Millway, was burned to a crisp. During the temporary absence of the mother, the child played at the stove and her clothing became ignited. When she ran from the kitchen to her mother in the yard she was ablaze from head to foot.

Probe "Odorless Drunks."

Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 1.—For two months the police have been combating the "odorless drunk." Men are carried into the station house every day drunk with something that leaves no odor on the breath. When they are questioned as to what they have been drinking, they almost invariably say, "beerette," but beerette is not considered an intoxicant. The "odorless drunks" are usually without bottles in their pockets.

Five Hundred Pound Woman Dies.

New York, Sept. 1.—Elephantiasis was a contributory cause of the death of Mrs. Theresa Habets, wife of a restaurant keeper, who died in a hospital here. She weighed 500 pounds, and it will be necessary to construct a special casket for her body. Until three years ago the woman was of ordinary size. She was thirty-eight years old.

Was Cook For Roosevelt.

Montclair, N. J., Sept. 1.—Hester Campbell, a famous Scotch cook, who was employed for many years in the family of former President Roosevelt, died here, at the age of ninety-six.

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TRENTON MURDER MYSTERY

Man Found Dead in Street and Four Persons Arrested.

Trenton, N. J., Sept. 1.—Thomas Walters was found dead in a street, presumably murdered. Mrs. Elizabeth Keeler, her son and daughter and Linton Lovett, who boarded with the Keelers, were arrested as witnesses.

In Walters' head was a bullet wound. Mrs. Keeler is said to have admitted to the police that Walters, while at her house, charged her with having robbed him, and that he drew a revolver and tried to shoot her. The son and daughter told similar stories.

SON MURDERS FATHER

Shoots Parent For Remonstrating Against His Misbehavior.

Wheeling, W. Va., Sept. 1.—Returning home from church with his wife, Robert Brown, of Simmons, W. Va., found his son, with a companion, in his parlor playing the piano and raising a disturbance. The father remonstrated and ordered them from the house. The son, it is charged, caught up a gun and shot his father dead. He was captured.

SEVEN ORPHANS DIE IN FIRE; 743 SAVED

In Bed and at Prayer When Flames Broke Out.

New York, Sept. 1.—Seven little children, inmates of St. Malachy's Home for Children at Rockaway park, L. I., were suffocated in a fire which destroyed a portion of the home.

There were 750 children in the institution, which is conducted by the sisters of St. Joseph of Brooklyn. Most of them marched out of the buildings in good order when the fire alarm was sounded, and it was supposed that all had escaped, until the little bodies were found in the smoldering ruins.

Nearly all of those burned to death were under five years of age. The fire was discovered in the laundry. Three hundred and fifty small children were in their cots on the third and fourth floors, and some of the older children were attending evening prayers in the chapel.

As the alarm sounded the older children marched from the chapel to the boardwalk along the beach, and the nuns and attendants rushed to the work of carrying the little children from their cots in the floors above.

NEW YORK MAYOR ACCUSED

Borough President Color Declares McClellan Has Squandered Money.

New York, Sept. 1.—Charges against Mayor McClellan, filed with Governor Hughes by Bird S. Color, president of the borough of Brooklyn, were made public. Mr. Color alleges that Mayor McClellan has squandered money in the investigations ordered by his commissioner of accounts, and that these investigations have been aimed solely at his political opponents for political purposes and not for the general good of the city government.

In the investigation of the office of the president of the borough of Brooklyn, Color charges McClellan in misappropriation of funds of New York city to the extent of nearly \$100,000.

RECEIVED THE ROOSEVELTS

French President Entertains Ex-President's Wife and Daughter.

Rambouillet, France, Sept. 1.—The president of France and Mme. Fallieres received Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt and Miss Ethel Roosevelt at his chateau. The party came from Paris in an automobile, Ambassador and Mrs. White being included in the number. Tea was served, after which, escorted by the president, Mrs. Roosevelt and her daughter viewed the historic treasures of the chateau and strolled about the grounds until time to return to Paris.

CLOUDBURST AT RAWHIDE

Six Persons Missing, 500 Homeless and 165 Buildings Destroyed.

Reno, Nev., Sept. 1.—The mining camp of Rawhide, one hundred miles from here, was swept by a cloudburst, a wall of water said to have been 12 feet in height rushing through the streets. Six women and children are reported to be missing, 500 persons are homeless and 165 buildings have been destroyed.

Skin of Elephant Shot by Roosevelt.

Nairobi, British East Africa, Sept. 1.—Edmund Heller, a naturalist with the Roosevelt expedition, has preserved entire the skin of an elephant shot by Mr. Roosevelt. The tusks of this animal weigh eighty pounds each. All the part weigh well.

Big Michigan Apple Yield.

Traverse City, Mich., Sept. 1.—Reports from the orchards indicate a record-breaking apple crop in Grand Traverse and Leelanau counties. It is estimated that in Grand Traverse county the crop will reach 400,000 barrels.

Puddlers Get a Raise.

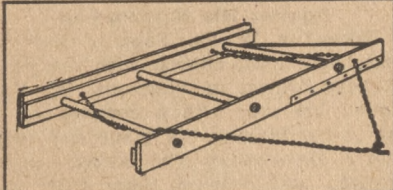
Pottstown, Pa., Sept. 1.—The puddlers and their helpers at the lower mill of the Glasgow Iron company were surprised by the announcement that the price of puddling had been advanced 25 cents per ton. This makes a price of \$4 per ton for puddling.

Farm and Garden

COUNTRY ROAD DRAG.

Practical Device Which Has Been Tried With Success.

Good country roads in this growing country have become a necessity. The era of "getting stuck in the mud" in the lanes and being compelled to take rails from a fence to pry out the wagon has passed out in most local-

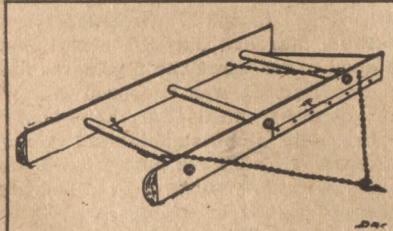


PERSPECTIVE OF PLANK DRAG.

ities. Still, in order to have good roads the farmers must see to it that they are kept in good condition. To accomplish this there are numerous devices, some satisfactory, some otherwise.

One that has been tried out in the Dakotas and that has created talk in the western agricultural districts is known as the "King drag." The accompanying cuts, the one showing a plank drag, the other a split log drag, will give an idea of the device.

The drag is made of heavy plank or a split log. As shown in the picture, these are attached three feet apart and dragged diagonally along the road. In this way they do the good work of a road scraper without its faults. They do not plow, as the road machine often does, but scrape and level. Roads are ruined by leaving ruts and



VIEW OF SPLIT LOG DRAG.

rough places for the water to stand. If these are leveled this water drains off and the road dries. The "King drag" has proved very useful in many sections where farmers use it regularly to keep the surface of the road smooth.

Hints For Stock Owners.

Shear the sheep early. Dip the sheep immediately after shearing and again in about three weeks to destroy eggs and all ticks that may have escaped at the first dipping. The lambs should be dipped at the same time, for when the ewes are shorn the ticks flock on to the lambs. Do not leave them out in the spring rains.

When a cow is a little off never put her milk in with the rest. Apply the Babcock test and be guided by its teaching, and thou shalt have good both to spend and to lend. If the young pigs should show signs of looseness of the bowels, shut off all feed to the sow but dry oats for a day or two, and the trouble will usually disappear.

Blind the hogs that have the habit of eating chickens by hanging a strip of tin four inches by eight inches in size from their ears. This will stop them when almost everything else has failed.

The newborn colt must have milk during the first half hour of its life or the chances are that it will die.

See that the colt is strong enough to start the milk. If it is not, help it. The first milk is necessary, as it causes the bowels to move naturally.

If there is any serious constipation, give a little castor oil or give injections of soap and warm water.

Keep the mare quiet and feed carefully for a week or ten days, when she may be turned in pasture, but only for a short time at first.

If the mare does not have milk enough, cow's milk may be given to help out, but it must be done with common sense.

Very rich milk should not be used.

Value of Humus.

Humus in the soil has seldom been taken at its full worth. The mission which it fulfills is second in importance only to that which is fulfilled by the presence of plant food in the soil. Humus is helpful in keeping soil in proper mechanical balance, in binding soils that are much prone to blow, in increasing the power of soils to absorb and hold moisture.

When the humus is exhausted in a soil its mechanical condition suffers. It becomes more compacted, less easily aerated and less easily penetrated by the roots of plants. Some soils so light as to lift with the wind can be kept from blowing, at least in a great measure, by simply keeping them stored with grass, roots or other vegetable matter buried in the soil. The increase in the power of soils to hold moisture is very great when well stored with humus. When commercial fertilizers are sown on land they will fail to respond properly unless the land is supplied with humus.

Such being the case, every effort should be made to store the land with humus. It would be possible to have an excess of humus, but in practice this seldom happens. Humus may be put into the soil in the form of clover roots, of grass roots, of buried catch crops and barnyard manure.

UNCLE SAM'S NEW MELON.

Delicacy From Roumania Which Will Be Grown Here.

The department of agriculture is always alert for something new, and the diplomatic and consular officers of the United States have special orders to be on the lookout for new fruits and vegetables.

So well have these orders been carried out that many new and strange fruits and vegetables have found their way to the tables of the American housekeeper.

One of the latest and best things in this line has been the introduction into the United States of the Roumanian watermelon. This was the result of a deal consummated by the late minister to Roumania, Horace G. Knowles.

When Mr. Knowles found this melon growing among the foothills of Carpathia he realized that it would be just the thing to serve individually in America, and instead of hotels serving huge slices of watermelon it would be possible to serve a whole uncut watermelon of the Roumanian variety, equal in every way to the best Georgia melon.

The new melon has a thin skin, and the meat, which is less fibrous than the American melon, is both yellow and red in color. The flavor is delicate and delicious, but the chief characteristic of the fruit is its size, which is about that of a good sized grapefruit or shaddock.

After a thorough test by the agricultural department, which found that the Roumanian melon could be successfully grown wherever our own melons would grow, and having been assured of its royal reception by the American public, Mr. Knowles was anxious to repay the gift. He had noticed that corn in Roumania was one of the chief articles of agriculture, but that sweet corn was unknown. Accordingly he obtained a quantity of seed, hired several plots of ground and instructed the Roumanians in its culture.

The result was so successful and the corn so thoroughly enjoyed that the king called Mr. Knowles to a private audience and thanked him for making it possible for the Roumanian people to gain this delicacy.

This melon has received such a welcome and so great has been the demand for it that two large hotels in New York and Philadelphia have agreed to take all that can be grown in the United States during the next year, and it is their intention to feature them on their menus.

"Come Into the Garden."

Weeds are sly about confessing their ancestry. In youth they have the charm of freshness and promise denied many fragrant flowers, and it is only when gripped to the earth with roots of iron and ready to set their progeny in delectable grounds that they show their true colors.

It is a puzzle how to tell friends from enemies, flowers from weeds. An observing eye, long about the business, may be gifted with an instinct and power to detect at once what promises to be candytuft, what grass, what nasturtium, what rue, or plantain, or poppy, or dandelion, and far into the species losing themselves in the disguise of similarity.

By taking the garden seriously there is variety enough to enliven the days. A package of lawn grass seed on a well prepared lawn will in time arouse all the emotions latent in the human character. According to well laid plans and promises, it should be clover and lawn grass. An English friend persuaded the introduction of a pinch of daisy seed, and at the hour of the first weeding a tender heart suggested that no lawn was perfect without dandelion gold.

One who would write a book with many pictures on the distinguishing traits of first sprouts should be rewarded with the privilege of making many editions to follow the first sweeping sales. Plants have curious ways of beginning life. Those that start out rosettes become tall and spindling later; those that send forth threads develop woody stems.

Amount of Grain For Cattle.

The difference in practice between the amounts of grain that are fed to cattle that are being fattened is very great.

The following rules will be found of some service to those who are feeding: First, aim to feed coarse foods to the greatest extent possible consistent with good increase, as they are the cheaper foods; second, feed enough concentrates to make the fattening reasonably rapid in order to save in the food of maintenance; third, when the droppings show that the food is not being well digested by the offensive odor that comes from them the grain should be reduced; fourth, when the animal gets off feed the grain should be at once cut down or the trouble is likely to get worse. At such times condimental food may aid in bringing the stomach back into tone.

Care of the Grindstone.

A grindstone, by the way, should never be left exposed to the sun. The weight of the handle will always cause one portion of the stone to remain uppermost, and this from exposure will reach a different degree of hardness from the underside, so that after awhile the stone will be ground out of a circle. If the stone has to stand in the open, a flat box can easily be obtained to serve as a cover.

Molasses Feeds.

The class of feeds that are fast gaining popularity among the dairymen are the so called molasses feeds, which are extremely palatable and are made from screenings from cereals and well cured corn stover soaked in molasses.

A BURGLAR'S ADVICE.

Where to Keep a Revolver at Night and How to Use It.

I take my pen in hand to write you an answer to the mug that signs his name "Victim" what says that a bolt on your bedroom door nights will make you safe from burglars coming into the room and shooting your head off and to tell him the only way to be safe from harm by burglars is to lay still when they tell you to and after they have gone to collect from the burglary insurance company.

Your man "Victim" is a dull guy if he thinks a bolt will stop any one that knows his trade, because we always put a gimlet hole through the panel right back of the bolt and slides it back quiet and easy just the same way as we put holes through the panel back of dead latches on outside doors, because there ain't nothing will stop a man that knows the trade only a steel door with an iron crossbar back of it and electric contacts all round.

What's more is that any man that sleeps with a pistol under his pillow is a chump, because that's where we always feel for it the first thing and gets it before proceeding to the business of the evening, the right place to keep a pistol being in the front hall hanging on a nail where you ain't liable to do no damage to the bedroom walls and furniture with it, besides its being bad for nervous people to wake up in the night and feel for a pistol that ain't there no more.

If a guy wants to take a pistol to bed with him and thinks he's got nerve enough to use it the proper place for it is not under the pillow, because that's where we always look for it, but it's at the foot of the bed, about where you can stretch out with your toes so that when you wake up and feel the burglar's hand searching under your pillow you can lay still till he moves over to the bureau, when you will have plenty of time to get hold of your gun with your toes and pull it up gentle and slow like you was still fast asleep till you get your grip on it and then if you are quick enough to make the burglar shoot in the smoke all right, but if you ain't got the nerve for the job you'd better not have no guns around, because he will shoot next.

Having been in the bolt slipping and pistol collecting business for nine years, I guess I know the game, and if I knowed where your mug "Victim" lives I would just come up some evening and pinch his gun for him to show him his bolt is no good.—Sloppy Mike in New York Sun.

NO IMPEDIMENT.

An Objection to a Wedding Ceremony That Was Overruled.

A popular politician tells a story about one of his electioneering campaigns. He had arrived about noon at a certain small station. He started out after dinner for a walk about the village, on the outskirts of which he came upon a building thronged with people.

The building was a church, and a wedding was about to take place. He edged his way through the crowd until he reached a spot where he had a good view of the bride and bridegroom and the clergyman who was about to perform the ceremony.

The church was packed, with the exception of a low, dark gallery near the roof. This was apparently deserted. The minister proceeded with the ceremony until he came to the point where custom required him to pause and inquire if there was any one present who knew any reason why the couple should not be made husband and wife. A hush fell upon the assemblage, and every one waited in breathless suspense. Something of a sensation was caused when a voice came from the upper gallery, saying: "Yes, I do."

All eyes were turned to the gallery, where, seated all alone in the gloom, barely discernible, was a meek looking little man, with a haggard face and disheveled hair. After the clergyman had recovered from his surprise he said sternly: "State your reason, sir!"

The suspense was turned to merriment by the little man's reply: "I want the girl myself," he said.—London Tit-Bits.

Rest Your Eyes.

The moment you are instinctively inclined to rub the eyes that moment cease to use them. Also it is time to give your eyes a rest when you become sensible of an effort to distinguish. Cold water is about the safest application for inflamed eyes. Never sleep so that on awakening the eyes shall open on the light of a window. Never read or sew directly in front of the light of a window, the better light being that that comes from above or obliquely or over the left shoulder. Too much light is an evil, just as is scant light. It creates a glare that pains and confuses the sight.

The Old Style.

No, this is not Esperanto: Koom oontaw thez yelauoo sands And then taak hands; Koortaid hwen eeco haav and kist The wayid waavz hwist.

Nor is it the song of a boy scout who is imitating the bellow of the hedgehog and at the same time whistling between his teeth. No; it is Shakespeare's lyric, "Come unto these yellow sands," etc., as rewritten after the Elizabethan style.—London Globe.

Reproved.

The Young Doctor—Just think; six of my patients recovered this week. The Old Doctor—It's your own fault, my boy. You spend too much time at the club.—New York Life.

Enjoyment stops where indolence begins.—Pollock.

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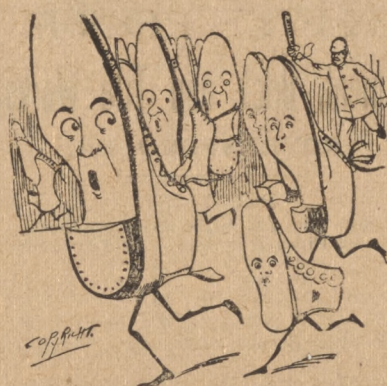
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